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Boy racers making lives a misery

BOY RACERS at West Bay are continuing to make residents lives a misery after an £1,800 scheme to curb anti-social driving in the area failed.

The boy racers had previously caused problems at West Bay car park but gating the area at night has led to the problem being displaced to the Meadowlands Housing

by Tom Glover

Estate. Residents claim that once the car park is closed at 10pm, drivers meet, play loud music and race around until the early hours of the morning.

One Meadowlands resident, who didn't wish to be named, said that the late night drivers had hit

his car leaving him with a garage bill of £2,000.

He added: "They come in at all hours, they are very noisy, they double park, they leave litter behind and have no concern for anyone."

"I have been out and

asked them nicely to be quiet and they have just told me to 'f*** off'."

"There was talk of rewarding them for good behaviour but I think that is ridiculous, we should be giving them bigger fines not rewarding them."

"I can't sleep and I'm going into work the next day knackered. I have

heard them as late as 2am in the morning driving around and I'm not the only one who has heard them at that time.

"You can't relax, you hear them wheel spinning outside and then the curtains are twitching."

"It's not just Meadowlands either, it's the whole of West Bay, they speed up and down West Bay Road and something needs to be done."

West Dorset MP Oliver Letwin met with resi-

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PHILIP Page has led a successful career in photography and TV production working on shows including BBC Wainwright's Walks with Julia Bradbury and Cloud Spotting with Gavin Pretor-Pinney.

Philip may be familiar to some for her appearance on the 2000 BBC island community survival programme Castaway alongside, now household name, Ben Fogle.

After leaving Castaway, Philip became a professional photojournalist, travelling the world taking images for the national British press including The Guardian, The Times and Marie Claire.

Philip now lives in Bridport with her husband Paul who runs the "Traditional and Green Construction" company.

This year Philip has been one of the key players in setting up Bridport's "From Page To Screen" Film Festival.

The festival runs from Saturday, April 3rd to Friday, April 9th and focuses on big screen adaptations of best selling books. Throughout the festival there will be screenings and talks from some of the industry's top names at Bridport Arts Centre and The Electric Palace.

■ **WHY were you keen to be involved with the From Page to Screen festival?**

Film has always been a huge part of my life; it's been my career and my hobby. Growing up, our house was always full of writers and artists as my mum used to work for the BBC as a literary agent so I was keen to be involved in the film festival. I also make short films myself.

■ **WHAT was the inspiration behind the festival?**

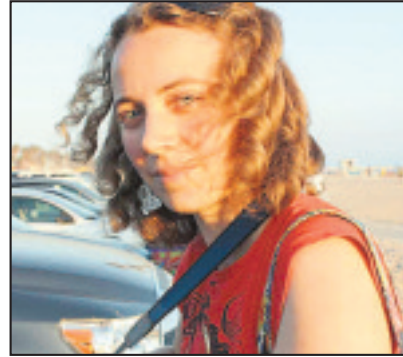
Bridport is already really famous for its Literary Prize and it was obvious for the film festival to develop out of the same stable. The actual inspiration for "From Page To Screen" came when we realised that around six out of 10 BAFTA and Oscar winning films started life as a book but no one had cottoned on to doing a film festival just for book adaptations.

I love this idea as book adaptations can be quite controversial: people who love books sometimes think that no film is ever as good as the written original whereas film lovers take the finished film on its merits (or not) without worrying too much how faithful it is to the book. It's true that some adaptations are pure genius whilst others have been well and truly panned by the critics. But people should make up their own minds.

■ **WHAT event at the festival are you most looking forward to?**

We've got a great programme and we're lucky to have some amazing speakers coming to explain the relationship between book and film. From Page To Screen is going to be great for Bridport; there's something for all ages. I hope everyone will check out the programme and find something that appeals to them.

I am most looking forward to Where the Wild Things



Are. I can't wait to dress up! I'm also really looking forward to seeing the Queen of Spades.

■ **ARE there any books you would like to see adapted to the big screen?**

Alice in Wonderland - again. I really love Tim Burton, he's one of my heroes but this one didn't live up to my hopes. Sorry.

■ **WOULD you rather curl up with a book or stick on a DVD?**

DVD. I watch a film every night.

■ **WHAT did you gain from your experience on Castaway?**

I learnt to cope with small politics and how to accept people for what they are. On the island, if you fell out with

someone, you still had to have breakfast with them the next morning, so you learnt to make up. I made long term friendships there, including Ben Fogle; those friends are like family to me now.

■ **WHAT was your fondest memory of life on the island?**

I loved the long summer evenings and having parties outside. Also, my pet sheep, Scraggy. He was the reason I thought I could move to the countryside.

■ **WAS this your closest brush with fame?**

Well, no I've still got some famous friends in their professional fields. We've also got some big names at the festival including Lynn Barber and screenwriters Julian Kemp and Alan Cubitt. Also, Harriet Walter, Fiona Shaw who are very famous actresses are on the advisory panel.

■ **DO you have any ambitions you'd still like to pursue?**

I'd like to set up my own children's clothing label. The company will be called Ginger Whiskers, in memory of my grandfather and will specialise in ready-to-wear clothes for kids.

■ **WHO would be your three dream guests at a dinner party and why?**

I'd have Tim Burton so I could pick his brain; Vivienne Westwood for her designs and Ray Mears who is my hero as I love camping and travelling to remote places.

■ **WHAT was the last film you watched, CD you listened to and book you read?**

The last film at the cinema was Alice in Wonderland; last CD was an obscure French band The Lovers and I'm currently reading Forgotten Fruits by Christopher Stocks, which is a great read all about the history of fruit and vegetables, including how the Spanish Inquisition is responsible for all our carrots being orange rather than red and white.

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Freshwater looks for support on plans

FRESHWATER Beach Holiday Park are appealing for support of their new development which will create 20 new jobs in the town.

As well as creating jobs the development also hopes to attract greater tourism to the town and provide much needed facilities for local residents including two indoor swimming pools, a gym, beauty treatment room and American ten-pin bowling.

The application is currently waiting for planning consent but well over 100 positive comments have already been received on the West Dorset District Council's planning website from local residents and regular visitors.

The park currently employs 110 staff during the summer season but the new development would create

by Tom Glover

around 20 jobs, which would be in place all year round.

The new building would be built into a hill on the site and feature a grass turf roof in order to minimise the aesthetic impact on the surrounding landscape.

General manager Scott Condliffe said: "Many of the comments have said it would be a good community facility and there is most definitely a demand there to have local people using it."

"To go ten pin bowling, currently you have to travel to Weymouth or Yeovil and, for the type of swimming facilities we want to provide, you would have to go to

Tower Park in Bournemouth. It's just making better facilities here within the immediate area of Bridport.

"We have done our absolute best to make it fit in to our environment, we have spoken at length with the district council and taken on board their suggestions."

"This is a developed area, it's not like it's a greenfield site. In that area there are currently caravans so I see this as a positive thing and not a negative thing."

If plans are accepted then work is due to start on the development in November and expected to be completed in time for the 2011 season.

To find out more and to have your say on the planning application visit www.freshwaterbeach.co.uk/planning



PLANS for the new development at Freshwater Beach holiday park

Meadowlands residents discuss boy racer problems

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dents last week to see the situation for himself and discuss potential solutions.

Suggestions ranged from making the estate residents parking only to more severe solutions of gating the entrance to the estate and installing surveillance cameras with automatic number plate recognition.

Bridport Town Councillor Keith Day invited Oliver Letwin to speak with residents.

He said: "I have a great deal of sympathy for the residents at Meadowlands, but I think the answer is more to do with prevention than cure."

"I am aware that the local police patrol the estate, but they cannot be expected to be available at all times and consequently these boy racers play a continuous cat and mouse game with them - whenever they appear."

"Of course, if they are parked in a public place

and not making a disturbance it is not possible for the police to move them on."

"These boy racers are not children - and for the most part they are otherwise responsible young adults that know exactly what they are doing and the effect they are having. If they want to go somewhere else they will do so."

"The police have the power to confiscate and even destroy the vehicles of repeat offenders. This is a greater restraint than increased fines. These

drivers care about their cars and obviously lavish considerable money on them. To lose their car is the ultimate deterrent."

"I am sure Oliver will use his considerable influence with the authorities to find a way forward."

Bridport PC Sarah Corrin said: "There has been a great deal of work done over the past year regarding anti-social driving at West Bay."

"This has involved enforcement, intervention and education of the drivers involved and support

to the community."

"There has been some displacement issues and that includes Meadowlands and other areas, however, nothing on the scale of what we have

seen at West Bay in the past."

"Overall we have seen an improvement to this problem."

"Our work together with partner agencies

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OLIVER Letwin discusses the problems with residents of Meadowlands

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Shipwrecked sailor's bail extended to April

A SHIPWRECKED sailor who fled the country after building up a trail of debts in West Bay has had his bail extended to a date in April as police enquiries continue.

The 61-year-old man who was arrested in Taunton on Sunday, January 17th was interviewed regarding allegations of fraud in relation to the rescue of his shipwrecked boat.

The man was due to report back to police on Monday, March 15th but his bail has now been extended.

In June last year John Orme-Dawson's 24ft wooden boat sank off the coast of West Bay and a major rescue operation involving Lyme lifeboat and the coastguard helicopter was needed to save him.

The sailor spent a couple of months living in West Bay following the incident as he got his life back together but then disappeared without a trace allegedly owing the West Dorset District Council over £1000 and a local crane hire company £400.

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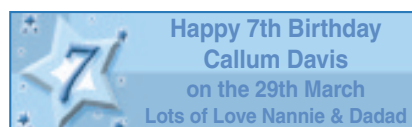
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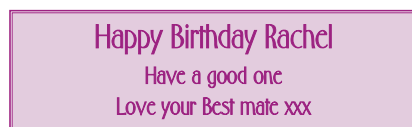
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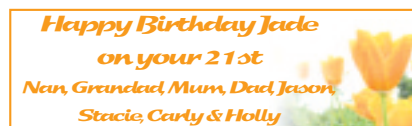
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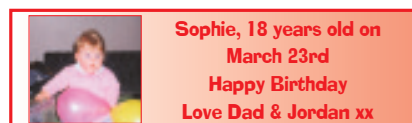
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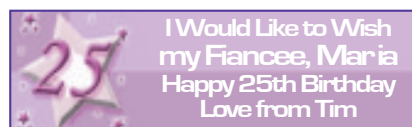
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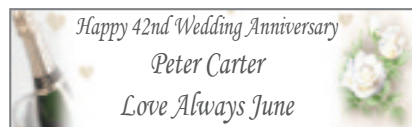
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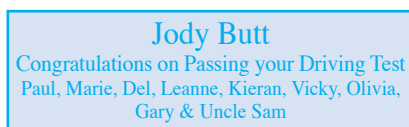
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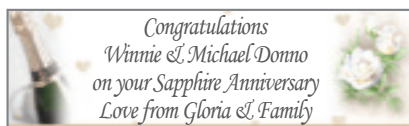
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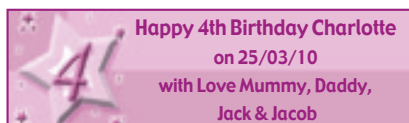
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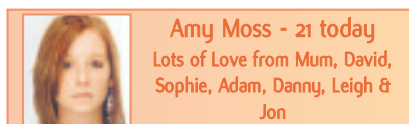
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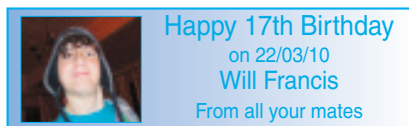
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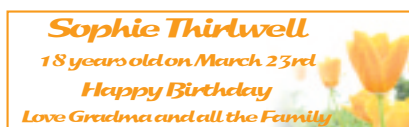
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Dorset Police to offer shotgun safety course

DORSET Police is pleased to announce that their first 2010 shotgun safety course will take place on Saturday, April 24th.

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"Having the basic knowledge regarding shotgun safety and the law relating to shotguns explained in a relaxed environment can only benefit those attending in future years."

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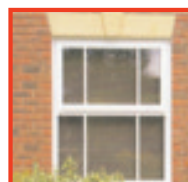
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Town's food festival needs help to grow

BRIDPORT Food Festival must encourage more involvement from the town if it is to continue to grow, its chairman Amanda Streatfeild has said.

Since its inception six years ago the annual event has become a firm fixture in the calendar and helped cement the town's reputation as a gastronomic honey pot.

The rare combination of so many different types of food producers and its coastal location has helped it raise Bridport's tourism profile.

But Mrs Streatfeild, of Denhay Farms in Broadoak, said the wider town should be urged to take part in the festival to strengthen the links.

She said: "Ever since River Cottage the wider public have come to associate Bridport with good local produce.

"When Hugh Fearnley-Whittingstall moved away we could have allowed that reputation to have withered and been forgotten.

"But we didn't, instead we haven't rested on our laurels but have tirelessly continued to promote West Dorset as a foodie destination.

"And the Bridport Food Festival is one of the biggest, most obvious signs of that.

"We know that many of the town's restaurants and eateries use local food and are rightly very

proud of that fact.

"So it makes sense that they should become a part of what we are doing.

"This isn't just about one event in Asker Meadows in June but about getting the message out there that this is a great place for good local food."

And she said that the Bridport Local Food Group committee wanted the town to become more involved in events leading up to the 2010 Food Festival.

"This year we have people going around the town asking shops and businesses not only for sponsorship but for ideas and to get businesses involved.

"The food festival and the Round Table's beer festival are now a well-established part of Bridport's

annual calendar.

"Last year we had 2,500 people come to the festival – many of

them local but an increasing number of tourists. We should be capitalising on that."

Friends of the Earth group highlight impact of meat and dairy products



The farm will keep the course in place and invite anyone to come and take on the challenge over Easter.



WELLY IT: Alex, Shane and Sebastian Phillips line up in the driving range alongside Helen Blackwood

Crazy golf... Dorset style!

A WEST Country twist was put on Sport Relief fundraising at the weekend with farmer's golf at Broomhills Farm in Bridport.

Workers on the farm put a Dorset spin on crazy golf with a nine-hole course around the farm complete with driving range.

Golf tees were swapped for plant pots and clubs were swapped for wellies on a stick as participants negotiated their way around hay bails and through tyres to compete the course.

Unfortunately the fundraiser fell victim to the English weather, which washed out the first day's play and put a dampener on Sunday's activities.

MEMBERS of Friends of the Earth West Dorset have been rallying support from Bridport residents for the Food Chain campaign.

The group encouraged shoppers outside Bridport farmers market to fill out postcards in support of the cause.

The group received a positive response from the public and had exhausted their supply of postcards by 12 noon.

The main aim of the Food Chain campaign is for a new law to be introduced to reduce the environmental impacts of meat and dairy products.

Friends of the Earth are campaigning to bring the cause to the attention of MPs at the ballot bill prior to the forthcoming general election.

For detailed information about the campaign or to show your support visit www.foe.co.uk

For further information, contact Elizabeth Friend on 01308 4210053.

FOOD CHAIN CAMPAIGN: Friends of the Earth West Dorset generate support in Bucky Doo Square



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Joint effort to improve life in Borough Gardens

MOVES to stamp out anti-social behaviour and improve residents' lives in and around a notorious Bridport area are to be

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tackled using a multi agency approach. Police, anti-social be-

haviour officers from Magna Housing Association and Bridport Town

Council are engaged with residents in the town's Borough Gardens area to tackle issues including low-level nuisance.

The area has been highlighted during previous Bridport Town P.A.C.T. panel meetings. Town councillors agreed last week to have wrought-iron gates installed to stop revellers walking through the gardens late at night.

The new gates, to be funded by Magna Housing Association, will be locked by residents each night to close the route and hopefully reduce incidents in the area.

Bridport's PC Scott McGregor said the multi-agency approach was so the prevention of anti-social behaviour was not just reliant on police enforcement.

"With cooperation from partner agencies including Bridport Town Coun-

cil, Magna Housing Association and community minded residents in the area we can improve the quality of life for all in that area," he said

"By placing gates with appropriate means for residents and emergency services to access the area safely, whilst balancing the need of the community to enjoy the open space during the day, would return what is in fact a space to be enjoyed by all.

"But by restricting access to people who have no reason to be there late at night apart from causing mischief and anti social behaviour emerged as the solution to the problem."

As reported by the View From last week, members of the council's

plans committee supported the idea of introducing a gate after a proposal by town surveyor Daryl Chambers.

PC McGregor said he hoped the gate would deter individuals attempting use of the area late at night, thus im-

proving the quality of life for residents in the area of Borough Gardens and the Tanyard.

He added: "I look forward to working with partner agencies and residents in the future to progress this as the need arises."

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Easter fun at Bridport school

PUPILS at Bridport Primary School didn't let the rain stop their early Easter celebrations. Children from the school braved the weather to take part in their annual Easter egg hunt before mayor and mayoress Martin and Maggie Ray arrived to judge the Easter bonnet parade. The mayor and mayoress are pictured above with the winners. The event raised just over £300 for the school.

Can you design a logo?

TRANSITION Town Bridport (TTB) are offering a reward to any local artist who can help them design a logo.

The winning artist will receive a hamper of locally produced food for their efforts along with the satisfaction of seeing their logo used by the group.

TTB is a project aiming to en-

courage the community to live in such a way that it can become resilient to the pressures of climate change and diminishing resources.

A fuller explanation of the group along with contact details can be found on their website www.transitiontownbridport.co.uk

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Two heads better than one for Loders school

A SMALL village school just outside Bridport is set to become the first in Dorset to test a revolutionary new initiative.

Loders Primary School, near Bridport, has taken the radical step of hiring two heads after the current headteacher Mike Kite decided to retire.

Mr Kite will now stay on for a little longer in the job share with Dorset County Council's Early Years consultant Shirley Gibbs.

Mr Kite, 62, said he had been planning to retire in July this year after a 25-year career but was persuaded to stay after the governors of the school made the suggestion to him.

"When the governors proposed that to me, and if a suitable co-headship could be found, I said I'd be very happy to stay on," he said.

"Then it was a question of finding one suitable. I'm very pleased actually.

"I'm looking forward to it and it's a nice thing for me. This is a fantastic job I thoroughly enjoy, but when you get into your 60s your energy levels are lower and to share that responsibility with



■ **NEW IDEA:** Loders village school, pictured above, will soon have two headteachers with current head Mike Kite, pictured inset, staying on to work with Shirley Gibbs

someone else is fantastic.

"The district and county council will be looking with great interest, because this is a shot in the dark.

"Nationally there is quite a shortage of head teachers and the local au-

thorities will be looking at what works."

The school will be one of only around 40 in the country to have a co-headship when Ms Gibbs steps into her role in September.

Loders' governors have

set-up the co-headship has a form of prolonged handover, with a lot happening in the next two years.

Vice-chair of governors Samantha Hands said: "I'm sure I speak for us all when I offer Mike and

Shirley the best of luck in their intrepid adventure to be the first co-heads in Dorset.

"We are truly fortunate in retaining our head, whilst adding a whole new person with all that they can offer to the mix.

New officers elected at local branch meeting

NEW officers were elected as the Bridport branch of the West Dorset Conservative Association met for their annual general meeting.

Bridport Town Councillor Keith Day was elected as chairman with Mark Hoskins and John Gladwin-White as deputies.

Peter Green was elected as secretary and John Harrison took the role of treasurer.

Patrick Pleasance was re-elected as the branch president.

Following the election of officers the meeting was addressed by guest speaker Michael Bevan, Dorset County Councillor and vice-chairman (political) of West Dorset Conservatives.

He talked about his early years as a Conservative in South Wales, his campaigning style and how he managed to unseat a Lib Dem to win his seat at the county council election last year.

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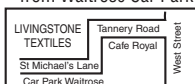
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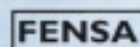
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Police tackle 'fear factor' amongst elderly

ELDERLY Bridport residents living in constant fear of crime will sleep a little easier this week after receiving reassurances by police.

Audiences at Bridport's annual Home Watch meeting were told the town's problems, including anti-social behaviour and burglary, have fallen by up to half in recent years.

Since 2002 15 per cent (around

by Paul Crompton

280) fewer anti-social behaviour incidents have been reported. A 53 per cent decline in dwelling burglaries, from 123 to 58 incidents, was also reported.

Safer Neighbourhood Team Supervisor, Sergeant Jon Bleasdale said he felt the fear of crime within

the town was out of all proportion to reality, particularly among the elderly.

He said: "The fear of crime is out of reality. What we are trying to get across is that currently our police officers are not seeing the same crime figures as the rest of the nation.

"We are concerned over the fear factor, especially in the elderly and

we want to address some of that fear."

He highlighted the working relationship with the local authorities, town councils, housing trusts, various youth groups and schemes such as Pubwatch, ShopWatch and Home Watch as reasons for the decline in crime.

Crime figures starting from 2002/3 were used because prior to that it was impossible to gauge ac-

curate crime trends, as the figures would not be comparing like-with-like.

Other notable crime statistics included thefts from vehicles down 45 per cent, vehicle theft down 41 per cent to 30 incidents, thefts down 29 per cent and all crime down 17 per cent.

Bridport's police section commander, Inspector Caroline Naughton, focussed on the anti-so-

cial statistics during the meeting.

She said a great deal of work by the Safer Neighbourhood Teams and other local officers in partnership with a number of agencies in tackling the problem through a variety of initiatives was now bearing fruit.

She also highlighted the "Stop That Thief" campaign supporting local farmers and a new initiative to target heating oil thefts.



Sport Relief action at Salway Ash school

SALWAY Ash Primary School joined thousands up and down the country for the Sport Relief Mile.

Pupils were asked to wear sports clothes to school to mark the occasion and dressed as everything from martial artists to footballers.

Appropriately dressed the pupils then did their bit for the national fundraiser by completing the Sport Relief Mile.

Green fun at Broadoak

YOUNGSTERS and adults are being given the chance to join in with a fun series of activities exploring the environment near Bridport over the coming months.

The Earthy Learning Folk activities are being organised by Bridport artist, dancer and craftswoman Petra Hughes in an "artistic" field near Broadoak.

The field is owned by a number of local artists with the aim of developing a series of ongoing creative workshops for children, adults and families.

An event was held last month when Petra led a workshop aimed at adults and children on making baskets and small grass sculptures followed by snacks cooked on an open fire.

Petra, who specialises in caricature, has been running the Young at Art club for youngsters over eight - and adults - for a number of years at St Michael's Studios.

This Saturday (March 27th) children will have another chance to enjoy constructive

outdoor play and games from 10:30 until 4pm.

For more information or to book contact Petra Hughes on 01308 426501 or 07719 280375 or at artist@petrawestdorset.wanadoo.co.uk or visit artwithpetra.co.uk



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Lack of Freeview service is not political

I REFER to your piece on digital television in *View from Beaminster* (Wednesday, March 10th).

The loss of ITV3 and ITV4 have nothing to do with retuning.

The BBC, ITV and Channel 4 wish to introduce High Definition television. There is limited frequency space on the multiplexes and to be able to broadcast HD television (on the Freeview system) there has to be some sacrifice of channels.

It was decided that ITV3 and 4 were the ones to go. High defini-

tion signals will be available for BBC, ITV and Channel 4 from May 20th, on channels 50, 51 and 52.

The reason we have only three multiplexes on the Beaminster Relay is purely a commercial one.

The commercial companies, who would have to meet the cost, consider that there are not enough people to make the expense of providing three more multiplexes cost effective in terms of adverts. This applies to all small relay stations throughout the country.

Despite Rebecca Knox trying to make political

points about the service, it has nothing to do with who is running the country or future financial cutbacks.

There are several solutions to the issue of receiving ITV3 and 4.

One is to try and receive the signals from the Stockland Hill transmitting station directly. This is very much dependent on your elevation and position in the town. Stockland Hill is approximately west from Beaminster, but there are a few hills in the way which will reduce the signal.

The transmission fre-

quency of the Freeview service acts rather like light, so for the best signal, line of sight is usually necessary.

Whereas the analog signal suffered from ghosting and fading, the digital signal will be less prone to this problem.

The digital signal is more robust than the old analog service; it is either there or not there. There are still some problems with digital and this is due to multi-path inter-

ference.

The signal may be disturbed if, for example, a vehicle passes by and reflects the signal into the aerial causing two versions of the signal to be received, the original and the delayed. This causes confusion in the digital receiver and can result in momentary break up in the picture and sound.

If your original analog signal from Stockland Hill was unusable, it does not mean that the digital

signal will also be unusable. It may be worth a try.

But it will mean replacing your aerial with one for a different band and pointing it west. Expert opinion should be sort.

The second option is to install a satellite system. These can be purchased at the moment from B&Q for £40, or less on a Wednesday if you are over 60! You will have to do the installation of the dish yourself or get some

to do it for you.

Freesat gives you most of the channels that are available from Stockland Hill on Freeview, except for Dave, Sky 3, Fiver and Five USA. These are still under contractual obligation to Rupert Murdoch's Sky TV.

Also please note that Virgin 1 is not available Free to Air on the satellite.

If you require the most up to date information about digital television,

then go to www.ukfree.tv. Put in your postcode and there is lots of information concerning digital tv in your area.

As for my job, I am retired a chartered engineer and I used to work for the BBC in their transmission department, building amongst other things, transmitting stations.

Although I have been retired for 20 years, I still have a keen interest in broadcasting.

TERRY BESWARICK

Thank you for your coverage

WE AT DORBAG would like to thank the View From for their support in publicising the problems many people in Dorset have experienced following the switchover to digital television.

This has been reflected in the number of new reports from the public on our web site and via printed forms obtained from their local libraries, since the article appeared in your newspapers last week.

We would assure all those who have

contacted us that their responses will be referred for action as promised, and if they have neighbours also experiencing problems we would like to hear from them either via our questionnaire web site <http://www.dorbag.org.uk/main/questionnaire.htm> or by post on a hard copy of the questionnaire available at libraries.

Councillor LEN HEATH
Press Secretary, DorBAG

Dogs spoil lunch on West Bay beach

ABOUT two weeks ago (March 9th) my husband and I sat on West Bay beach opening our sandwiches, around 1 o'clock lunchtime.

We were sitting on the shingle just below the top, out of the wind, when a man appeared with three dogs.

As he let them off their

leads, they made a bee-line for us and - to our horror - the dogs snatched the sandwiches we were about to eat out of our hands.

One of them caught my finger with his teeth which was red and sore for a few days.

My husband yelled out to the dogs' owner, who

saw what had happened, but he all he did was carry on walking down to the edge of the sea.

He did call out to the half-whippet breed, whose name was Pebble. I'm afraid of going to East Beach, West Bay ever again.

Mrs C.M. RICHARD

New president for Probus

BRIDPORT Probus Club has elected a new President at their annual general meeting. West Dorset District and Bridport Town Councillor David Tett was elected as the club's new president, succeeding former president Brian Stidwell.

Councillor Tett thanked Mr Stidwell for his work and dedicated service to Probus and also the committee, in particular David Batty the club's secretary.

He concluded: "Without the dedicated work of the committee, there would be no Probus Club and I for one would not be standing before you today."

Councillor Tett said that he wished to steer the club in a similar vein to past presidents.



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Panto audience get the golden ticket

AUDIENCES in Salway Ash had the golden ticket last week as the Children's Pantomime Group took them into a world of pure imagination.

The group put a new spin on an old favourite as they adapted the classic tale of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory for the stage.

The production combined elements of the book and both subsequent films with a script adapted by Lorraine Larder who also produced and designed costumes with the help of Val Newman.

The show featured some of the film's famous songs but also some more sugary tunes including the children's favourite "Lollipop".

The cast did not sing the songs but instead focused their efforts on some very creative dance routines choreographed by Kelci Larder.

With such a young cast it must have been a difficult challenge to

by Tom Glover

choreograph but the routines were inspired, with the grandparents walking stick dance moves to "Don't Stop Me Now" proving a big hit.

The lead roles were well cast with Alfie Payne capturing the quirky character of Willy Wonka and Kieran Rowland suiting the part of the likeable Charlie Bucket perfectly.

The supporting cast all added their own spice to the story, particularly the Salt twins Veruca (Anja Jackson) and Veronica (Eleanor Lambert) who fit the roles of the spoilt twins with surprising ease.

With such a large cast it is impossible to pick out all the excellent performances but special mentions must go to three of the smaller role players.

Emily Shoemark proved to be Salway Ash's answer to Catherine Tate as Grandma Josephine. Josh Frampton will be eyeing up a lead role next year after his performance as the shop assistant and newspaper seller and of course chorus member Jay Huxter.

Jay had the whole hall roaring with laughter every time he appeared on stage whether as a gobstopper, squirrel or as mini Mike TV, particularly impressive as this was his first show.

And finally a mention for Peter Gorman whose scenery was as bright and enchanting as the cast and the costume team who gave the Oompa-Loompas their own unique look.

The proceeds from the show will be split between the village playground fund and the children's Pantomime Group.



■ GOLDEN TICKET: Charlie (Kieran Rowland) finds a surprise in his Wonka bar



■ HOT OFF THE PRESS: Will Gibbons tries to shift copies of the Salway Ash times



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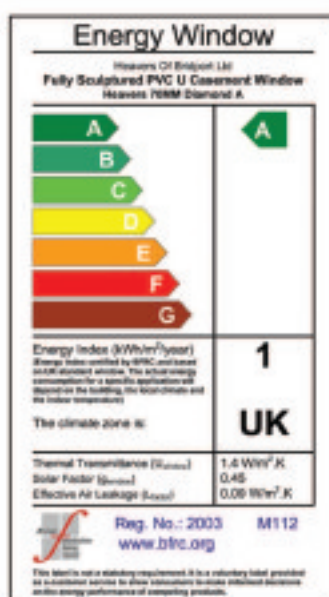
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BLACKDOWN

BLACKDOWN will once again be without an Easter service this year – but are instead planning on holding a Palm Sunday Family Service.

The service is due to be held on Sunday, March 28th at 6pm.

Meanwhile forthcoming events at the Blackdown Village Hall include a whist drive, which has been scheduled for April 1st at 7:30pm prompt.

MAIDEN NEWTON

GREENFORD School are hoping to start work on their new extension during the early part of next month.

The new space will provide an additional classroom and art area to provide the children with extra opportunities.

It is hoped the work will be completed by September in time for the beginning of the next school year.

The pupils also raised

£500 for Haiti after they organised a bring and buy sale and a car-wash week at the school.

MAPPERTON

A PERMISSIVE path has been made in Mapperton to allow walkers easier access to the Roman fort.

Thanks to Mapperton estate a stile has been constructed to make the path between Burcombe Farmhouse and the ancient earthworks.

The path had only previously been viewable from a distance or the below path.

Now walkers can enjoy the views to Lewesdon to the north and Eggardon to the south east.

The Right Reverend John Drury, chaplain of All Saints Soul's College, will once again be visiting the village for Holy Communion on Easter Day.

Reverend Drury's services are always eagerly anticipated, with this year's scheduled for 11am.

MOSTERTON

IT HAS been decided by Mosterton Parochial Church Council that Lent Lunch will not be held this year, but they are hoping residents will dig deep for charity instead.

The PCC normally holds the annual dinner to raise funds for Action Aid, which supports families in India.

Villagers are being asked to donate money this year instead of giving something up for the Christian period.

Donation should be labeled "For Action Aid" and either handed to members of the PCC, left at the village store or brought to Easter Service on Sunday, April 4th at 11am.

All villagers are also invited to the annual parish church meeting which has been scheduled for Friday, April 30th in the church.

The PCC would also welcome more members to assist in managing services and events.

For more information contact a PCC member or church wardens Keith McLachlan on 867634 or Ella Venning 868834.

NETHERBURY

VILLAGE lunches are set to resume once again in Netherbury after a lengthy break during which time the hall was refurbished.

The lunches start up again in the hall next month on Tuesday, April 20th between 12noon and 1:30pm.

If bringing friends you are asked to inform the organisers beforehand.

A FRIENDS scheme has been launched in the village to raise support and funding for the church.

Money raised for the 15th century, Grade 1 listed St Mary's Church will be used to care for the building and its grounds.

A public meeting will be held at 3pm this Saturday, March 27th at the

village hall to formally launch the Friends of St Mary group, vote in the

founding committee and open up membership to anyone wishing to join.

For more information or if you wish to be nominated into the committee

contact Jacky Bush on 488303 or Steve Adams on 488994.

BURTON BRADSTOCK



■ PUPILS at Burton Bradstock Church of England Primary School donned their sports kits to help raise money for this year's Sports Relief. The schoolchildren showed support for the charity as they dressed in their favourite sports kit and paid 50p each for the privilege. Despite the wet weather the pupils enjoyed the day doing sports based challenges and raised over £100 for Sports Relief in the process. Reception and Year One did a hopscotch challenge, Years One and Two did all sorts of challenges - hopping, using stilts and skipping. Class Three performed their Bollywood dance at the Dance Festival at Freshwater and Class Four took part in sporting challenges for five minutes which they found very tiring!

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Barnardo's reach out to Dorset families

CHILDREN'S charity Barnardo's has completed the formation of a special team to help Dorset parents.

Last year Barnardo's South West was awarded a £1.5million three-year contract to establish a Parent Support Adviser Service to support children's learning.

Almost a thousand parents have already been supported, including one-to-one support for almost 300 families, but this number is expected to rise even further now that staff have been recruited to all positions.

by Stuart Broom

More than 20 project workers have been given their own areas of responsibility, covering Beaminster, Bridport, Lyme Regis, Dorchester, Weymouth, Blandford, Christchurch, Corfe, Ferndown, Gillingham, Purbeck, Shaftesbury, Sherborne, Sturminster Newton, Portland and Wimborne.

Funded by the government through Dorset County Council, the PSA service works with local schools and other agen-

cies to support parents with their children's social, emotional and behavioural problems.

It also helps parents to find support to deal with drug or alcohol misuse, marital or financial difficulties, domestic abuse, imprisonment, bereavement or disability.

The central office is based at Poundbury Business Centre, Dorchester.

Jeremy Coombe, Barnardo's South West children's services man-

ager, said: "The completion of the team means we can now help to support even more parents.

"We have experienced and expert staff who can offer formal or informal support with a particular emphasis on early intervention. Advice is non-judgmental and is available to all families of all backgrounds.

"There have already been some real successes in terms of improved behaviour and engagement at school.

"Half-term activities have been a particular success, and this year we

hope to provide more events across a wider area.

"They provide opportunities for informal family learning which can then be repeated back at home afterwards. It's a great way to reach out to parents and understand their needs.

"Families receive the right support at the right time, helping their children to fulfil their potential."

Referrals come from schools and from families themselves. Project workers offer short and

medium-term support. This could be advice and information, delivered in groups or on a one-to-one basis, or support to take part in a structured parenting programme.

In some cases a family might be referred to another agency for more specialised support.

In other parts of the region Barnardo's South West has provided similar services which resulted in improved school attendance for more than half of children and improved behaviour for more than

three quarters.

Dorset County Council's extended schools adviser Su Lewis said: "We are delighted to be commissioning this service which works alongside parents to give them support and advice on a range of issues to make sure their children reach their full potential and enjoy themselves, both in the classroom and at home."

Locally, Barnardo's South West is already responsible for Sure Start-funded children's centres in Broadmayne, West

Moors, Piddle Valley, Ferndown, Stokewood and Queen's Park – which are managed on behalf of the local authorities – as well as the GAP (Games, Activities & Play) project based in Poole, and a local play ranger service.

It also manages fundraising shops in Westbourne, Winton and Boscombe.

For further information on the new Parent Support Adviser Service, call 01305 250161 or email jeremy.coombe@barnardos.org.uk

Dorset Police named as top employers

DORSET police have been declared one of the top public sector organisations to work for during a prestigious national award.

At a London awards ceremony Dorset Police were confirmed as one of the top 75 organisations to work for in the public sector across the UK – with over 200 public sector organisations entered in the process.

The Best Companies organisation co-ordinates the awards in conjunction with the Sunday Times and are open to all organisations.

Graham Smith, Dorset Police's Director of Human Resources, said: "We are delighted to have been named as one of the top 75 public sector organisations to work for in the UK."

"Dorset Police is a large and complex employer that works in a challenging front line environment, so to have received this award is a great achievement."

The award was judged on the basis of results from a survey sent randomly to over 1,400 members of Dorset Police staff and so it truly reflects views held within the

organisation.

The survey included questions to assess employees' opinions on areas including leadership, personal growth, wellbeing, pay and benefits.

Graham Smith said: "I'd like to thank not only those who took part in the survey, but every member of staff within the organisation.

"It is only by working together, supporting each other and living the values of Dorset Police that we have been able to obtain this significant national recognition."

Quarry grant fund now open

COMMUNITIES in Dorset affected by quarrying can now apply for a slice of a £500,000 grants fund.

Last year's Action with Communities in Rural England's project award winners included improvements to an allotment site in Crossways and the old Engine Shed on Portland.

The launch of this year's Community Aggregates fund was announced by ACRE and members of the Rural Community Action Network.

Almost any community activity can be supported by grants of between £3,000 and £20,000, with the fund offering a opportunity to get the support needed to make a real difference for local people.

COMMA uses money from Defra's Aggregates Levy Sustainability Fund to address the impacts of aggregate extraction on the environment and local communities.

Five essential conditions must be satisfied for projects to be eligible including:

- The community is/has been affected by aggregates extraction or transportation of aggregates;
- The proposed project is within 10 kilometres of an aggregates extraction site, either current or disused;
- The proposed project must benefit the whole community or section of the community, not an individual;
- The applicant must be a community organisation, a charity or a parish/town council;
- All project works funded by COMMA grants this year must be capable of completion by the end of March 2011.

Applications are made via one of the 23 RCAN members in whose areas the fund is applicable. See www.acre.org.uk for more details.

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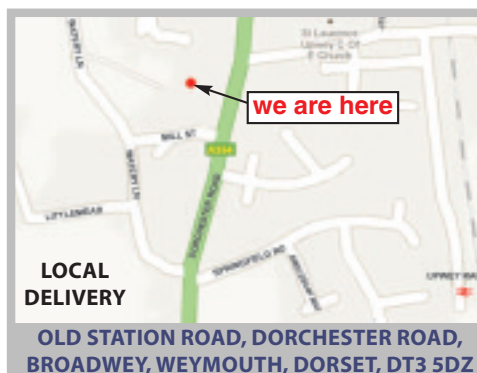


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The highs and lows of life as an opera star

“YOU become so self-fascinated; you become a monster,” said Hillary Kenway of her life as an internationally renowned Opera singer.

Sat on endless flights, getting screamed at by “extremely” camp Italians and forcing herself to become an egocentric, were just segments in the first part of the Soprano’s life.

The second, less glamorous for sure, but no-less fulfilling, saw her move back to Beaminster via London and Yeovil where she had forged a career as an English teacher, to amalgamate both careers and become a vocal coach and Musical Director of Beaminster Singers.

“We’ve done so well in the last five years we are now the preferred choir in Milton Abbey for weddings,” Hilary said. “We sung there once and now we keep going back over there. And it’s not even in our area. I’m very proud of the choir and what they have achieved.”

The Singers, or Community Coral Society, come together once a week to rehearse for a number of big concerts with a professional or-

THIS week PAUL CROMPTON talks to The Beaminster Singers’ musical director HILARY KENWAY about the highs and lows of being an internationally renowned opera singer and her life teaching others to sing,

chestra each year.

Founded in 1997 so people could get together and sing big oratorios (Messiah, Elegy and the big requiems) they also tackle lighter material like operas and choruses.

Based in St Mary’s Church, people hoping to join the community group don’t have to pass an audition or interview to get in. In fact in the five years Hilary has been director there has only been one person who had to leave because they could not stay in tune.

Hilary’s stint at the Singers started when they found themselves short of a MD and knew she would have some time on her hands and was more than capable of doing it.

Brought up in Beaminster, she attended the old Alfred Cole Fox School. Although she admits to not winning any singing prizes – something she would more than make up for later– she did, however, receive certificates for annunciation and piano.

“That was a fantastic musical school at the time. For a comprehensive it was very musical

school and I did three full-scale operas there before I left at 18-years-old. I’d already sung two major leads, Gluck’s “Orpheus” then Dido “Aeneas”; we were so lucky to put them on. It was amazing,” she said.

After school the multi-lingual –she speaks French, German and Italian – Hilary went to Birmingham University to read for an English and French degree, something which would later prove to be come in useful. However, whilst Hilary had her head in the books she continued to be “very, very involved” with the musical department.

Hilary said: “It was the first time they brought in the Handel Opera and the professor in the department of music was a Handel specialist and so I always sung in the chorus in the three years I was there.”

Then after graduating she joined the Royal College of Music for three years, where she performed total vocal music in small choir groups and learnt to become a soloist.

“It’s a very different

skill,” she said. “Vocal projection is much, much bigger, you have to be able to project dramatically the voice as lead and gain more control, it’s much more skilful.

“In fact to be a soloist is not always the best thing to have in a choir. A choir which has a blatant soloist is not exactly a complimentary thing, it’s a different skill, you have to think much more egocentric as a soloist.”

Next the itinerant “Queen of the Night” or Coloratura – a type of operatic soprano who specializes in music distinguished by agile runs and leaps – found herself in Indianapolis courtesy of her then husband, who later fled America with Hilary as he draft dodged the call up for the Vietnam war.

The pair moved back to London, where her ex-husband worked in Selfridges’ tie department before gaining his music card. He moved to Birmingham to become a timpanist and Hilary took tentative steps into her first career, as a member of the BBC Singers, on her 27th birthday: August 1st, 1971.

Hilary said it was strange walking into the “bowels of Broadcasting House” on her first day at the BBC because everybody else was happy and had been doing it for years. In her first week she learnt quickly and was just “given the music and got on with it”.

“It was actually quite challenging,” she said. “Because you know there are only 28 of us, we were a concert group in those days and had to sing the daily service. You had to be there to sing in the morning, but you only got a half hour rehearsal. We would maybe go for a coffee then head to All Saints Church next door and there you would be, stuck singing a song you’d only just rehearsed.”

It was during her two years there that she met many of the great conductors of the day. Conductors who have since become knights of the realm such as Sir Adrian Boult and Sir Colin Davis along with acclaimed French conductor Pierre Boulez.

But, as she points out, “It was really a brilliant training for a vocal career”. But after working five and six day weeks, which “felt like a lifetime”, Hilary took her training and became a freelance singer. In the following years she performed as many oratorio recitals as she could, be-

fore entering international competitions.

However, competitions turned out to be just another learning curve.

“The first Mozart competition I entered I was there, I’d done the song in the finals and then the judges went off to debate,” she recalled with a grin.

“They came back to say what had happened and who had done what, when an extremely camp Italian judge came tearing out of the curtains towards me and said I had hadn’t won because I hadn’t sung enough Mozart. He was furious.”

Lessons learned the hard way, Hilary re-entered the next year with the right amount of Mozart and duly won.

But despite success Hilary found the life of a soloist dislikeable. A hatred of planes and the stress of having to be “egocentric”, and not being able to eat and drink when she wanted to, made the svelte soprano with her hair in a bun, realise she just wasn’t built to stay at the top of her career for long.

So, in her mid 30s, she moved onto her second career as a teacher, utilising the English degree gained years before at Birmingham University.

In London, newly single, needing to pay the mortgage and run a car, she continued into her second career, finally becoming head of English at a nautical school, all bell bottoms and sailors hats. All the time she kept her voice in tune by doing recitals, singing oratorios, but shunning her operatic past.

Then the draw of the West Country proved to much and she moved back. Taking a head of English post at Westfield Community School, Yeovil. But competition was still in her bones and she became the runner-up in the regional heats of the National Teaching Awards.

And so, now aged 65, Hilary has finally managed to blend her two careers into one; teaching singing to everyone from 15 to 78-year-olds, something she finds both fascinating and stimulating.

“I think to watch peo-

ple progress and sing things they didn’t possibly think they could sing. To say ‘yes you can develop your voice’ and through their voice see them gain confidence, and to watch them progress is fascinating,” she said.

“It’s a completely different satisfaction, teaching from singing. If singing yourself, you take a piece of music, that someone else composed, to an audience and give them a worthwhile experience that they enjoy. If you are teaching you enable someone to realise an ambition perhaps or help them gain a new skill.”

People will have the chance to hear Hilary perform at Beaminster Charter Fair Concert on May 1st and May 8th in Bungay, Suffolk singing Dido.

The Beaminster Singers will be performing J.S. Bach’s stunning oratorio St John’s Passion on March 27th with soloists Martin Hindmarsh and Timothy Dickinson, and a professional orchestra led by Louise Bevan.

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The Keep Military Museum



The Keep Military Museum exists to present and preserve the history of the Regiments of Devonshire and Dorset and those artefacts held in trust, as a public attraction of excellence, whilst promoting inspiration, and learning. The museum exists not only through its outreach programmes but also through its physical presence in Dorchester.

They love to see school parties, individuals and those who wish to use The Keep and its facilities for personal, education related, research or work experience.

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The Dinosaur Museum

The award winning Dinosaur Museum is the only museum on mainland Britain dedicated to dinosaurs, and is a treat, especially for children. The museum combines life-sized reconstructions of dinosaurs with fossils and skeletons to create an exciting hands-on experience. Multimedia displays tell the story of the giant prehistoric animals and their enthralling world millions of years ago.



The Great Easter Dinosaur Egg Hunt is the Easter Egg Hunt with a difference and is held at the Dinosaur Museum all over the Easter weekend. The Great Dinosaur Easter Egg Hunt involves children in actually hunting throughout the museum to spot the dinosaur eggs on display. As well as this, children have to discover the answers to various clues in the Dinosaur Mystery.

Dinosaurs reproduced by laying eggs in nests on the ground. Dinosaur eggs have been found all over the world although discoveries of dinosaur eggs in England are rare. However, the Dinosaur Museum, in Dorchester, has several superb dinosaur eggs on display from other parts of the world.

The Great Dinosaur Egg Hunt is from Good Friday 2nd April to Bank Holiday Easter Monday 5th April at the Dinosaur Museum, in Dorchester. It's monster fun for all the family whatever the weather. There are prizes for all participating children. The Dinosaur Museum is open daily from 9.30 to 5.30. For further information phone 01305 269880 or visit www.thedinosaurmuseum.com

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Haddon House Hotel

Haddon House Hotel has been in the same family ownership for the past 32 years. The building itself was built in 1856. After it was built it became a gentleman's residence until 1958 and then, for a short period of time, it lent itself to becoming a country club for local members.

Finally in 1978 after being left derelict for many years the building and surrounding land was purchased by a well renowned and respected hotelier Wing Commander and Mrs. William J. Loud who together had had many years' experience within the licensed trade and along with their son Paul transformed the Georgian style building into one of the areas most successful hotels, attaining three stars along the way.

In 1989 Paul's parents decided to hand the reins over to their son to take a well-deserved retirement and now Paul carries on the family business into its third decade with the help of his son Darren, daughter Holly and fiancé Joanne Richards. Over the past 32 years the hotel has gained an excellent reputation for its cuisine and fine service, which today is being produced and served by their team of quality chefs, Executive Chef Peter Stoessel, Head Chef



Gavin Rayner and First Commis Chef Tyrann Mason.

The hotel is open throughout the year and is an ideal venue for your christening, birthday, wedding, anniversary and family party functions.

For lunchtimes they offer an excellent value lunch menu (Monday - Saturday), a choice of two roasts of the day with homemade Yorkshire pudding and all the trimmings for only £5.95 or two course menu with a choice of either starter and main course or main course and sweet for £10 along with an extensive à la carte menu. Due to popularity we would recommend booking a table.

Whilst on the evening menu you will find dishes to tempt the most discerning palate, dishes like roasted breast of duck with port wine and port sauce, medallions of pork with apple and

calvados cream, pan roast rack of lamb with rosemary and redcurrant jus, griddled rump of venison with rich port and Madeira sauce. With over 20 other main courses to choose from, including a chef's evening specials board and selection of scrumptious homemade desserts, there's something for everyone at Haddon House Hotel so why not pay Haddon House a visit. You will not be disappointed.

With 104 booked for last Sunday's Mothers Day lunch and the hotel fully booked for accommodation this coming Easter weekend, it's proof enough that Paul, Joanne, their family and staff are continuing to maintain the hotel's sterling reputation that has been with them since the hotel first opened its doors in 1978.

Dorset County Museum

For family fun during the Easter holidays, why not join in with one of the popular family workshops at Dorset County Museum? On Wednesday 7 April, artist Peter Ursem, whose work is featured in the current exhibition Dorset Footprint, will be running an imaginative drawing and painting workshop entitled Bumblebee Celebrates his Birthday. This will take place between 10 and 11.30 am and 2 and 3.30pm. On the following Wednesday (14 April) between 10.30 am and 12.30 pm, there will be a family printing activity using lino, potatoes, stamps and screens. All are welcome and each activity costs just £3 per child.

On 23 April (St George's Day) there will be a lively folk concert at the Museum featuring Fingerz 'n' Fretz. Made up of local musicians

Jerry Bird and James Findlay, Fingers and Frets are an established and very popular local folk duo. James has recently won further acclaim by winning the BBC's young folk musician of the year 2010 competition so this event promises to be very popular. Tickets

cost just £7.50 and are available now from the Museum.

The current exhibition at Dorset County Museum which runs until 24 April is entitled Dorset Footprint. It showcases recent works by Dutch artist, Peter Ursem who has won wide acclaim for his dis-

tinctive woodcuts, lino cuts and woodengravings of the Dorset landscape. Sales of Peter's work are already going

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Easter Holidays



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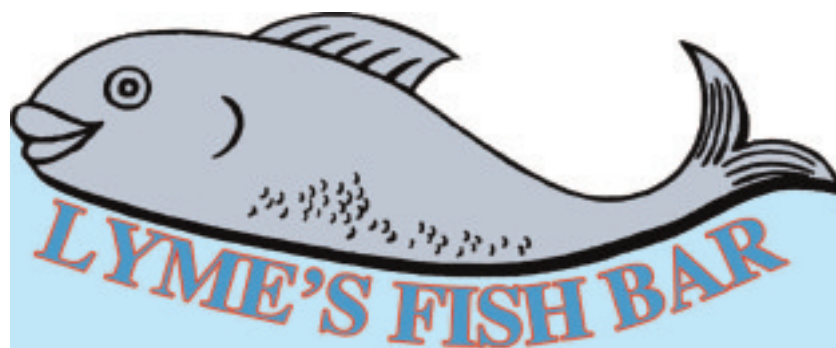
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Harbour Inn

On Sunday March 14th, The Harbour Inn in Lyme Regis ushered out Mother's Day with a showcase of home-grown musical talent that saw the seafront echoing to the sound of crowd sing-a-longs.

First up were Plymouth's The Minute Makers (www.myspace.com/theminutemakers), featuring Uplyme's Joanna Cooke on keyboard/vocals, and Nathan Austin on guitar/vocals. They kicked off the night with a selection of original tracks and covers including the Scissor Sister's 'Take Your Mama' and 'Stuck in the Middle' by Stealer's Wheel.

The next offering was an acoustic set from Grace Gillan, a musician with a true rock-star pedigree. Though her performance was marred by unfortunate technical difficulties, her original material brought a demure air to the evening.

Headlining the evening were Lyme's favourite

sons Papa Le Gál (www.myspace.com/papalegal), returning to Marine Parade after an extensive absence.

Papa Le Gál once more offered their own funky take on classics like 'Monkey Man' and 'Proud Mary', as well as crowd-pleasing originals like 'Wake Up' and 'One Eye Open', and were joined by Gillan on vocals for a number of tracks. Papa Le Gál's musicianship and stage presence has only improved over time, and drew the crowd into taking to the floor and filling the Harbour bar area with dancers, a sight not often seen on a sleepy Sunday evening in Lyme Regis.

Following the success of the night, keep an eye out for further live music at the Harbour Inn in May, when proprietor Mark Oldfield and his mother Sue will celebrate the seven-year anniversary of their taking on the establishment.



The Harbour Inn

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The Riverhouse Inn

Working pub herb garden



The recent sunny days have once again seen people sitting outside enjoying lunch at The Riverhouse in Upwey. Their popular Mediterranean garden designed by award winning garden designer Michelle Brown appears to have just about survived the very cold win-

ter we have had. The olive trees and Mediterranean plants survived quite well but sadly some of the lavender plants which are used to make the Riverhouse famous lavender ice-cream did not survive so well and some are being replaced. It is the ideal place to stop for a cap-

puccino or a cold beer after an Easter walk.

The garden was designed to also be a 'working garden' with lots of edible plants. Michelle said that it is nice in these times of Global wastage to bring some old fashioned benefits to a pretty garden. The

Riverhouse is well known for its home-made dishes and it was lovely to be able to incorporate lots of herbs into this garden which I know will be used on a daily basis. In between the olive trees and Mediterranean plants are lots of herb plants such as bay, mint sage, thyme which are all used on a regular basis. The lavender that is picked at the end of the summer is used to make the Riverhouse famous lavender ice cream.

Roberto Dagostino who is proprietor and head chef of the Riverhouse said that during these times of recession being able to pick large quantities of expensive herbs from his own garden meant that he was able to help keep the pub prices down. Obviously, the added bonus is that not only are all my herbs fresh but in these times of Global wastage it is also a small contribution to reducing our carbon footprint.

Should you want any advice on how to incorporate herbs into your garden Michelle Brown Garden Design can be contacted on 07967 750256

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Modelling competition in aid of kids charity

Are you the new Kate Moss or Twiggy? Could you strut your stuff like David Beckham or George Clooney? Well here is your chance

with Dorchester's very own Modelling Competition in aid of Get Kids Going!

The competition is being organised by local photographer, Ian

Radford, who is committed to raising £6000 by the end of July to buy two new sports wheelchairs for the charity. It is open to anybody over the age

of 15, male or female, and will be taking place on Friday 26th and Saturday 27th March at a mobile studio on South Street in Dorchester. Entrants will pay just £2 to enter and will be photographed for the process of choosing a winner. Anybody wishing to purchase his or her photograph can do so for just £6 that will be donated to the charity. Printing of the photographs is sponsored by local business Wessex Photography who will offering their services free of charge.

The winning models, one male and one female, will win a photo shoot session with and Ian at his studio, Natural Focus Photography, with prints. The winning female will also receive a makeover package courtesy of Medusa Apothecary before the shoot; treatments will also be available to the male winner should they wish to take them. The

photo session prize may be a model shoot for the individual or a family shoot if preferred.

Get Kids Going! is a National charity which gives disabled children and young people up to the age of 26 yrs, the wonderful opportunity of participating in sport.

They help promote sports for disabled children by providing them with specially built sports wheelchairs so they can do marathons, triathlons, tennis, athletics, mountain skiing, rugby, basketball etc. Get Kids Going! also helps and encourages British disabled children to compete by supporting them with their sports, training, physiotherapy, travel, design and development of sports wheelchairs. With your help many could become record holders and Paralympic champions!



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Wellworths celebrates success on its first birthday!

It hardly seems possible that one year has passed since South Street descended into chaos with the arrival of DJ Chris Evans and the opening of the new Wellworths store in Dorchester. Manager Claire Robertson and her staff have silenced any critics and doom-mongers there may have been by riding out the recession, still smiling and still in business.

Claire is more than pleased with the way Wellworths first year of trading has gone and is happy with the sales figures she and her team have achieved. This was a massive undertaking for a young lady well-versed in managing a store but very much new to "going it alone." However, she

was fortunate in still having the loyalty and support of her former Woolworths colleagues, many of whom still work with her today.

"I have learnt so much over the past twelve months in so many different fields, and this learning curve continues even now. I make a point of listening to both staff and customers, reacting to the local market and acting on it whenever possible. The staff, too, enjoy more freedom to order merchandise they know is going to sell, and have more control over supply and demand. They know what the people of Dorchester want, and do their very best to meet their needs."

Claire has worked very hard to make this venture work, but is the first to acknowledge she could not have done so without the hard work carried out on the shop floor. Their backing has been second to none, and their experience a real asset to Wellworths. Christmas was hectic, a busy but enjoyable time, in stark contrast to the previous year and the demise of Woolworths. Knowing you have a job to come back to after the festive season makes all the difference. And this Christmas, says Claire, will be bigger, brighter and bet-

ter. Any mistakes made last year will be put right, and any criticism, positive or otherwise, will be taken on board.

Community involvement is high on her list of priorities, although Claire admits it is not always possible to grant the countless requests she receives from people. Local events are supported whenever possible, and Wellworths continues to back the former Woolworths charity Kids First and their aim to bring equipment that is both educational and fun into children's playgrounds. Tourists, too, still flock to Wellworths to see for themselves the phenomena that caused so much

media interest twelve months ago. New ranges are gradually being introduced, including the much-needed children's clothing, and Claire remains open to any new ideas or suggestions from her customers.

It has been a great first year for Claire and her staff, and she remains optimistic for the future. "There is still much to learn and more we can achieve, but I am confident with the staff I have working with me that we can move forward with confidence and become more and more successful. And knowing Claire and her wonderful workforce I have no reason to doubt that is exactly what they will do."



▲ Manager Claire Robertson



▲ The successful store in the heart of Dorchester

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▲ Claire at the opening day last year with Chris Evans



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The Great Easter Dinosaur Egg Hunt is the Easter Egg Hunt with a difference and is held at the Dinosaur Museum tall over the Easter weekend. The Great Dinosaur Easter Egg Hunt

involves children in actually hunting throughout the museum to spot the dinosaur eggs on display. As well as this, children have to discover the answers to various clues in the Dinosaur Mystery.

Dinosaurs reproduced by laying eggs in nests on the ground. Dinosaur eggs have been found all over the world although discoveries of dinosaur eggs in England are rare. However, the Dinosaur Museum, in Dorchester, has several superb dinosaur eggs on display from other parts of the world.

The Great Dinosaur Egg Hunt is from Good Friday 2nd April to Bank Holiday Easter Monday

5th April at the Dinosaur Museum, in Dorchester. It's monster fun for all the family whatever the weather. There are prizes for all participating children. The Dinosaur Museum is open daily from 9.30 to 5.30. For further information phone 01305 269880 or visit www.thedinosaurmuseum.com



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Stop in Dorchester for 'a nice cup of something'

If you are venturing out to do a bit of shopping in Dorchester this weekend then you'll probably need refreshment break and look for somewhere to buy a nice "cup of something".

Not only does the town have a great selection of shops but if you are looking for somewhere to rest those weary feet and recharge energy levels for the final shopping push, Dorchester is blessed with a superb choice of Cafes and Coffee shops offering a selection of fine foods and beverage to suit all tastes. Here are a selection of highly recommended outlets from which to choose: -

If shopping in South Street there are a number of delightful Cafes close at hand. You can drop into Char Chars for a warm soup and a selection of gluten free produce and on fine days relax and eat alfresco in the outdoor seating area.

The Corner, The Gorge Café and Costa Coffee all serve good coffee and a selection of cakes or you can nip into the historic Nappers Mite for a snack.

If you plan to visit Goulds department store, head upstairs and stop off at Café 11 to enjoy a cup of tea before resuming your shopping. Starbucks Coffee is just across the way and serves a

variety of drinks and refreshments including a selection of sandwiches, croissants, cakes and muffins.

On Trinity Street you will find both Noah's Coffee Lounge and Taste.

A recent review describes Taste "as having a great vibe, always busy and the service is brilliant. It also has a great choice of food on the menu and they have a great kids menu with platters of fresh food.

Elsewhere, the Oak Room on Antelope Walk is ideal for morning coffee, light lunches and afternoon teas. The Oasis located in the Borough Gardens is a great stop off point if you want to grab a quick snack for the family while the children have fun in the park. Or why not try the new Town Mill Bakery next to Waitrose down Tudor Arcade, a great new cafe, come bakery that has recently opened.

And there's more...

A reviewer recently wrote about The Old Tea House on High West St - "I would recommend

stopping in this beautiful 'olde worlde' cafe if you are looking for delicious food, generously sized portions, and reasonable prices. The staff are pleasant and helpful, and the place is lovely and clean."

The Horse With The Red Umbrella located opposite the Dorset County Museum has the same welcoming ambience and serves fantastic cakes and teas.

Potters Cafe Bistro located on the quieter Durngate Street is warm and inviting. The Walnut Grove is located on the same street and is an ideally stop off point if are planning to visit The Dinosaur Museum.

If you are planning to visit Dorchester Market on Wednesdays, then the onsite Cafe is idea for hot food, bacon rolls, cakes or nibbles. There are also loads of cold drinks to choose from to quench your thirst.

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Derek is a chef and prepares most of the food which he tries to source from local farms and producers in the country. All of the cakes and scones are baked fresh every morning, and they serve good, hearty breakfasts from 7.30am to 10.00am.

As well as the traditional 'cream teas' there is always homemade soup of the day, a wide selection of sandwiches and hot baguettes and a daily 'specials' board.

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Tea and history anyone?



The Duke of Monmouth landed at Lyme Regis on the 11th June 1685 to challenge King James' claim to the throne, following the death of Charles II. He assembled an army in excess of 3000 men and marched to Sedgemoor in Somerset.

He was defeated by the King's army in less than a month. Around 1300 were taken prisoner. Five Judges came to Dorchester with the infamous Judge Jeffreys, whose reputation was that of the 'hanging judge'.

In September 1685, 312 cases were heard in the Oakroom at the rear of the Antelope Hotel; of these 292 were sentenced to death. Only 74 were executed, with 175 transported, 9 were fined or whipped and 54 were discharged.

Judge Jeffreys - having his eye on promotion - was later made Lord Chancellor.

When King James fell and William of Orange landed in Torbay, Jeffreys was captured and imprisoned in the Tower of London. He died in 1689 while awaiting trial, probably of natural causes. Rumours at the time said he has been poisoned while in the Tower and that his body had been returned to Dorchester and walled up in the Courtroom - now the Oakroom.

This 17th Century Oak panelled room has been carefully restored to maintain its character and original features.

Today it is called The Oakroom and is a delightful tea-room, with a peaceful, tranquil atmosphere, replicating the style and service of a Lyons Corner House.

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On 23 April (St George's Day) there will be a lively folk concert at the Museum featuring Fingers and Frets. Made up of local musicians Jerry Bird and James Findlay, Fingerz 'n' Fretz are an established and very popular local folk duo. James has recently won further acclaim by winning the BBC's young folk musician of the year 2010 competition so this event promises to be very popular. Tickets cost just £7.50 and are available now from the Museum.

The current exhibition at Dorset County Museum which runs until 24 April is entitled Dorset Footprint. It

showcases recent works by Dutch artist, Peter Ursem who has won wide acclaim for his distinctive woodcuts, lino cuts and woodengravings of the Dorset landscape. Sales of Peter's work are already going well so if you would like to acquire a beautiful piece of Dorset-related art, come along before 24 April. Entry is free.



Friday 23 April at 7.30pm
Fingerz 'n' Fretz
Jerry Bird and James Findlay (BBC Young Folk Musician of the Year 2010) perform English folk music for St George's Day.
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Jimi Hendrix: No way to treat a legacy

A RECORD company that releases an album posthumously is often on dodgy territory. Last week's column, on Johnny Cash, praised the second – and, so we're told, final – studio album to be released since his death. This record was an exception to the rule; it came from Johnny's final recording sessions – and he *knew* they were his final sessions – which he went into knowing the songs he laid down wouldn't see the light of day until after he'd died.

He always intended the material to be released, with his long-term producer curating its compilation and release. Cash's legacy has, so far, been treated with respect. If only the same could be said for that of Jimi Hendrix.

When Jimi died at the tragically young age of 27 in September 1970, his entire UK discography comprised of just three studio albums (all of which are classics – *Are You Experienced*, *Axis: Bold As Love* and *Electric Ladyland* – and possibly all but the completely obsessive fan need own), one live LP and an unnecessary compilation album. But that was soon to change.

At the time of his death, it had been two years since Jimi had released a new studio album. He was clearly having problems choosing the direction he wanted to take in terms of both sound and band.

The original Experience line-up had disbanded in 1969, with Jimi replacing Noel Redding on bass with his old Army buddy Billy Cox and expanding the group to feature an additional guitarist and percussionists. This was the band Gypsy Sun And Rainbows with which Hendrix played Woodstock.

Still not happy with the sound – and possibly the new songs – Jimi shook things up again. Out went the extra musicians and long-term drummer Mitch Mitchell; in came Buddy Miles – and Band Of Gypsies was born. A live album featuring this line-up was released a few months before Jimi died, but this by this time the band had already split. After a disastrous show at Madison Square Garden, New York City, in January 1970, where Hendrix insulted a woman in the audience, played just two songs and then left the stage, Band of Gypsies disbanded.

Next up was a new Experience line-up, with Mitch Mitchell returning to the drum stool but Billy Cox retained on bass duties. This was the line-up that played Hendrix's last UK performance at the Isle Of Wight Festival in August 1970.

But what of the new album? No less than six months after Jimi's death came the first of three albums featuring tracks that may have made the cut for Jimi's fourth studio LP. *The Cry Of Love* (released March 1971) was followed by *Rainbow Bridge* in the October of that year and *War Heroes* in 1972.

Three albums might sound a bit much (although Jimi was playing around with the idea that his next album could be a triple) but that was nothing with what was to come. In addition to a string of live albums of variable quality came a series of releases that didn't as much disrespect Jimi's legacy as they did trample all over it.

First came *Loose Ends* (1974) which, with the exception of an old 'b'-side, was nothing more but a collection of shoddy jams and outtakes. But things were to get even worse.

The 1975 album *Crash Landing* was the first to involve producer Alan Douglas who used session musicians, none of whom had ever even met Hendrix, to re-record or overdub guitar, bass, drums and percussion, erasing the contributions of the original musicians and changing the feel of the songs. This may have been done to give a finish to songs that were works in progress or may have been recorded as demos, but was nevertheless sacrilege to Jimi's fans.

Douglas also added female backing vocals to the title track, and even had the nerve to credit himself as co-writer of five of the eight songs on the album.

Midnight Lightning followed eight months later, where Douglas again used session musicians to "finish off" tracks. Although at least this time he didn't give himself co-writes in the album's liner notes.

By the time of 1980's *Nine To The Universe*, Douglas had also given up on beefing up the tracks with session musicians, but being responsible for an album that was so obviously scraping the barrel and wrecking Jimi's legacy still didn't do him any favours.

As late on as 1995, Douglas was still meddling with the Hendrix catalogue, overseeing the album *Voodoo Soup*. At least this album was an at-

tempt at putting together a record close to what Jimi may have released had he been given the chance in late 1970. But Douglas left off several important tracks, replacing them with songs that had no connection to the original project.

All but one of the tracks had previously been released, and the album simply compiled the best of those three albums that followed very shortly in the wake of Jimi's death.

Douglas still couldn't help himself, unnecessarily bringing in Bruce Gary of The Knack to overdub drums on two tracks. But as it turned out, *Voodoo Soup* was to be a short-lived addition to the Hendrix back catalogue.

After a long legal struggle initiated by Al Hendrix (Jimi's dad) and his adopted daughter Janie, they finally gained control of Hendrix's recorded works (under the name Experience Hendrix LLC) and hired Eddie Kramer – who had recorded most of Hendrix's music, including his last songs – to put these tracks back together on one album.

So, two years after the first attempt of putting together Jimi's long-lost fourth album, came the second – this time authorised by Jimi's pop and sister – *First Rays Of The Rising Sun*, which is the closest we'll ever get to hearing Jimi's original vision of his unfinished LP.

It was Al and Janie's intention to treat Jimi's catalogue with respect, and they went on to delete all of the posthumously released albums with the exception of the very fine 1994 compilation *Blues* (a decent stab of putting together the best blues numbers Jimi recorded between 1966 and 1970, and the only Hendrix album Alan Douglas had anything to do with worthy of respect).

Had Jimi's father and sister left things at that, no one could have complained, but only seven months after the release of *First Rays Of The New Rising Sun* came *South Saturn Delta*.

This album – certainly not without its plus points – used previously released material from those now deleted shoddy albums of the Seventies augmented with yet more demos, unfinished takes and rejected songs. It may have been put together with a little more care and attention than such albums had before, put its relevance and motive for release was in as much doubt.

Legitimate releases of Jimi's iconic sets at the Woodstock, Isle of Wight and Monterey festivals followed (in 1999, 2002 and 2007 respectively), and were certainly worthy of release, but the 2002 Experience box set contained many a track that I'm sure Jimi would have rather stayed in the archives.

That brings us to the latest release, *Valleys Of Neptune*, a record that is being mis-sold as some long-lost album from 1969. The fact is the tracks here were recorded long enough before Jimi's death that, if he'd wanted them released, they would have been available long before he died.

Although the album is being marketed as "new", little of it really is. 'Stone Free', 'Red House' and 'Fire' are merely 1969 re-recordings of the already classic tunes; 'Lover Man' won't be unfamiliar to the hardcore fan and, whilst it's good to hear a studio version of 'Sunshine Of Your Love', there are plenty of live cuts of Hendrix's take on the classic Cream number knocking around.

Out of the rarities on show here, 'Mr Bad Luck' (which later evolved into the tune 'Look Over Yonder') and 'Crying Blue Rain' have the misfortune of featuring bass and drums overdubs recorded in the Eighties – probably at the instigation of the aforementioned Alan Douglas – and 'Lullaby For The Summer' is a Hendrix-by-numbers instrumental.

That said, the two singles from the album – the title track and the Elmore James cover, 'Bleeding Heart' – would easily fit on any Hendrix 'best of' album. Promo videos have been made for both songs, with the short film made to complement 'Bleeding Heart' particularly effective, using some great visual effects to have Hendrix play at a modern day Glastonbury Festival, complete with cameo appearances by Kate Moss and Michael Eavis.

It's also very depressing how a batch of outtakes that Hendrix didn't even think worthy of release is so much better than any guitar-led rock album of recent times. And just think what amazing sounds Jimi would have come up with had he lived even a little longer? It's so sad just to even think about it.

And with news that the vault may be stripped bare to give us another "new" album every year for the next decade, Jimi's legacy is set to be vandalised even more.

You could argue it's all about keeping Jimi in the public consciousness. Sean Lennon played a similar card when talking about his mother allowing footage of John Lennon to be used in a recent Volkswagen advert, but, c'mon, who are you trying to kid? It's all about the money.

The fact that such a short recording career (just four years) has spawned so many albums has little to do with Jimi's immense talent; it has everything to do with the greed of those who have inherited the rights to his music and their desire to bleed it dry for every penny they can get.

by James Coles

Poetry for Pleasure

by Frank McGarry

BILLY COLLINS was the Poet Laureate of the United States from 2001 to 2003. British Laureates used to be given the post for life, but are appointed nowadays for a fixed term of ten years. In America the post changes hands every year or two.

Collins saw his task as being to widen the interest of young people in poetry. He found that many adolescents thought modern poetry boring because they couldn't understand it. "The wilfully obscure poem," Collins said "is a hiding place where the poet can elude the reader and thus make appraisal impossible...which is why much of the commentary on obscure poetry produces the same kind of headache as the poems themselves."

More than nine out of ten poetry books sold are by dead poets. Collins believes that the poems that will broaden the audience for contemporary poetry will be ones that are clear and, as he puts it, "reader-conscious". In 2003 Collins published "Poetry 180", an anthology of modern verse, in which the first poem was this one, written by himself.

Introduction to Poetry

I ask them to take a poem
and hold it up to the light
like a colour slide
or press an ear against its hive.

I say drop a mouse into a poem
and watch him probe his way out,
or walk inside the poem's room
and feel the walls for a light switch.

I want them to water-ski
across the surface of a poem
waving at the author's name on the shore.

But all they want to do
is tie the poem to a chair with rope
and torture a confession out of it.
They begin beating it with a hose
to find out what it really means.

Here is a contemporary American poem by the Texan writer, R.S. Gwynn. My editor says that even he can understand this one.

My Agent Says

My agent says Los Angeles will call.
My broker says to sell without delay.
My doctor says the spot is very small.
My lover says get tested right away.

My congressman says yes, he truly cares.
My bottle says he'll see me after five.
My mirror says to pluck a few stray hairs.
My mother says that she is still alive.

My leader says we may have seen the worst.
My mistress says her eyes are like the sun.
My bride says that it's true I'm not the first.
My landlord says he'd think about a gun.

My boss says that I'd better take a chair.
My enemy says turn the other cheek.
My rival says that all in love is fair.
My brother says he's coming for a week.

My teacher says my work is very neat.
My ex-wife says I haven't heard the last.
My user says the big guy's in my seat.
My captain says to bind him to the mast.

My master says I must be taught my place.
My conscience says my schemes will never fly.
My father says he doesn't like my face.
My lawyer says I shouldn't testify.

My buddy says this time I've got it bad.
My first love says she can't recall my name.
My baby says my singing makes her sad.
My dog says that she loves me all the same.

My pastor says to walk the narrow path.
My coach says someone else will get the ball.
My God says I shall bend beneath his wrath.
My agent says Las Angeles may call.

GUITAR HERO | Is the legacy of Jimi Hendrix enhanced by the release of yet another album?



Who do you think you are kidding Mr Herring?



AIMING TO RECLAIM THE TOOTHBRUSH 'TACHE | Richard Herring brings 'Hitler Moustache' to the Electric Palace

BRITISH comedian and writer Richard Herring is probably most famous for his part in the double-act, Lee & Herring. However, it's lesser known that Richard Herring also contributed to the third series of Matt Lucas and David Walliams' multi-award winning TV sketch show Little Britain, as well as penning a large portion of Al Murray's sitcom vehicle Time Gentleman Please. With Stewart Lee, Herring also contributed to the creation of the character comic Alan Partridge.

Herring's contributions to British comedy through both his writing and performing have him described by the British Theatre Guide, as "one of the leading hidden masters of modern British comedy", but it is perhaps his latest show Hitler Moustache that has made Richard Herring top the bill once more.

As well as being the subject of much controversy, Hitler Moustache, is also receiving universal critical approval and sold out for the entire Edinburgh Festival being listed as the 'must see' show of the festival

and awarded 4 out of 5 stars. Stewart Lee said of the piece, "I think the 20 minute bit about why racists are less racist than you is an all time great slice of stand-up that stands comparison with the best bits of the best comedians ever."

Herring says that the original idea behind Hitler Moustache, was to see if he "could reclaim the toothbrush moustache for comedy – it was Charlie Chaplin's first, then Hitler ruined it." The show has been awarded 4 out of 5 stars from Time Out as well as golden reviews from some of Britain's toughest critics. It's political comedy at its most effective and questioning, and quite simply unmissable.

Following a 10 night run at London's Leicester Square theatre, Richard Herring will be performing Hitler Moustache for one night only on Saturday, April 10th at Bridport's Electric Palace. Tickets are on sale now from the Electric Palace box office on 01308 428354.

Royal Opera House singer to join Forde Abbey Concert

INTERNATIONALLY renowned counter-tenor William Towers will join Armonico Consort for their forthcoming performance at Forde Abbey. He is a regular on the stage at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden and major concert venues all over the world.

The Armonico Consort Soloists, who launched in 2001, have gained a reputation for presenting innovative programmes in an accessible and entertaining manner, and their recordings are often heard on Classic FM. They last performed in Thorncombe in 2006, and have also been a great

success at the Beaminster Festival.

On March 24th they are visiting Thorncombe again to give a concert in the Great Hall of Forde Abbey at 7.30pm, which includes the Allegri Miserere and less familiar works by Dietrich Buxtehude and Giacomo Carissimi. This will provide a wonderful local opportunity to enjoy high quality singing, normally only available in the great concert halls of our cities.

These events are supported by Big Lottery Funding and the proceeds of the concert will be

shared by the Farm Crisis Network Charity and the Fabric Fund of St. Mary's Church at Thorncombe who are promoting the concert.

The performers will also hold a series of four mini-concerts the following day aimed at improving the quality of life for older patients in hospitals and nursing homes in Chard and Crewkerne.

For further information and tickets for the Forde Abbey concert (£10) please call 01460 30916 or on-line sales at www.oxboffice.com

He's still there!

DO you remember Askers Road House? Its not there, but Grayham still is!

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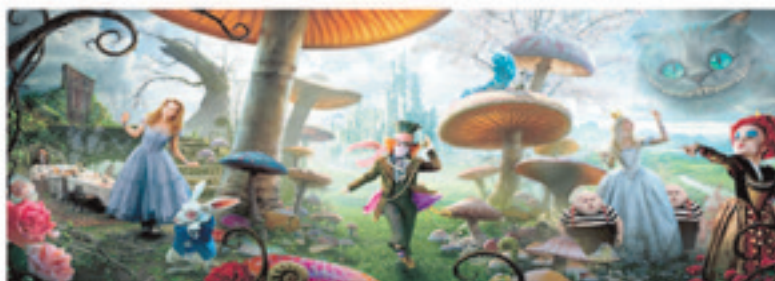
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Will Bruce and Tess
keep dancing?

STRICTLY Come Dancing is set to go head-to-head with rival talent show the X-Factor when it returns later this year.

Despite losing ratings as a result of the scheduling clash last year, the BBC have decided to make viewers choose between the shows.

Bosses have reportedly pumped extra cash into the line-up in an effort to boost ratings and remain confident that by paying for big names Strictly will wipe the floor with The X Factor.

An insider told The Sun: "ITV expect us to back off this year but that's not going to happen. We aren't just going to roll over and do what they want us to. We have been running Strictly on Saturday for as long as The X Factor."

FOOTBALLERS' Wives beauty Zoe Lucker has joined the cast of EastEnders. She'll appear in Albert Square later this year as a new love interest for Max Branning.



STRICTLY RATINGS | Can Bruce and Tess attract more viewers to Come Dancing?

Zoe's character Vanessa is described as a "dynamic and assured businesswoman," who is set to inject a bit of much-needed glamour and excitement into Walford when she stops by the car lot to do business with Max (Jake Wood).

All is not what it seems, of course, but we'll have to wait and see how E20's residents react to the newcomer.

Zoe said: "I'm a huge fan of the show and I am really looking forward to working closely with Jake Wood. I've heard fantastic things about the show through friends like Kacey Ainsworth and Natalie Cassidy, so I can't wait to get started."

EastEnders executive producer Bryan Kirkwood added: "Zoe Lucker is absolutely perfect for the role of Vanessa. The character is a strong, confident force of nature who will play Max at his own game. I can't wait to see Zoe come face to face with Jake Wood on screen." Zoe, who was last seen on the small screen taking to the floor in Strictly Come Dancing, will make her screen debut in the summer.

AS the 11th actor to play Doctor Who's iconic Time Lord, Matt Smith has declared that he loves playing the Doctor.

Speaking at the Cardiff launch of the show's sixth series last night, the actor added that he would like to continue in the role as long as possible.

"I would like to continue being the Doctor," he said. "It's a role that I enjoy thoroughly and I love, to my mind it's the greatest part on British television. It's mine and I want to keep it!"

Matt, who was announced as David Tennant's successor last January, revealed that he's constantly "in awe" on the set of the sci fi show, helmed by BAFTA-winning writer Steven Moffat: "It never gets dull. Every month you've got a completely new world, a completely new story."

But the 26-year-old insisted that he's made the part his own. "Mr Tennant is a glorious man. I couldn't wish to inherit the role from someone more gracious and giving and kind," Matt enthused. "In terms of trying to emulate anything I think you have to carve your own path and whether there are shades of anything past or present in there I don't know, but it's never been conscious for me. I hope that in my Doctor there's a madness, a tenderness, a recklessness there. A sense of adventure and risk. I want people to enjoy it. I hope people respond to it and engage in it. I hope it thrills and excites. We've got a brilliant journey to go on in this series."

The BBC has announced that Doctor Who will return for a sixth series in 2011. A Christmas special, to be penned by show boss Steven Moffat, will also screen later this year. Shooting on the special and the 13-episode sixth run will begin this July in Cardiff.

by Philip Evans



WHO LOVES THE DOCTOR? | Matt Smith loves his role as the Doctor

Packed programme for Pelican

WEYMOUTH'S own tall ship, the Pelican, has a host of activities on offer during the 2010 season.

Its first event is a free open day this Sunday, March 28th, in tandem with the Best of Dorset tourism show at the Pavilion just yards away from its mooring.

People can walk round the ship, meet the captain and explore life on a tall ship while children can enjoy face painting and meeting pirates.

Pelican also has a programme of day sails in May and September when people can experience a tall ship in full sail with lovely views along the Jurassic Coast.

May also a chance for longer four-day voyages across the Channel to France under its "sail away for a day or a lifetime" initiative.

Second Officer ben Swain said: "We are really looking forward to the 2010 season because we have a wonderful programme of events which offers more opportunities to experience tall ship sailing than ever before."

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every November and these productions now costs in the region of £28,000 to produce, using professional directors, orchestra, scenery and costumes. During the year, WOW members also perform in cabarets for charitable organizations, and present a compilation show in the Pavilion Theatre at Easter time.

This year's show, WOW That's What I Call Music 3, will take place at the Pavilion Theatre, on Friday and Saturday 9th and 10th April at 7.30 with a matinee on Saturday at 2.30. The Director/Choreographer for the show is ex-WOW member Martine Burt, who, since leaving WOW in 1997, has gone on to work in London as a director/choreographer in her own right. Janet Stockley has compiled the show with Martine, Heather Reed as musical director and assistant choreographer Becky Wells.

The show will feature many well-known medleys including The Best of James Bond, Disney, Michael Jackson, We Will Rock You, Copacabana, Jesus Christ Superstar, The King and I and a classical section.

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Award winning
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ACADEMY Award nominee for best picture, "The Blind Side" (12A), comes to cinemas this week.

The American drama, based on a true-story and the 2006 book "The Blind Side: Evolution of a Game" by Michael Lewis, stars Sandra Bullock, who won the Golden Globe for best actress, the Screen Actors Guild Award for outstanding performance and an Academy Award for best actress for her role as Leigh Anne Tuohy.

The film follows 17-year-old Michael Oher (Quinton Aaron), who has spent his life in foster care with different families. Every time he is sent to new home, Michael runs away, until he is enrolled in school and befriends "SJ", whose mother Leigh Anne (Bullock) welcomes Michael into her home for Thanksgiving.

Michael soon becomes a part of the family and discovers his amazing talent for football. To help him gain a football scholarship, the Tuohy family hire a private tutor, Miss Sue (Kathy Bates), and the opportunities begin to open up for Michael.

"The Blind Side" sees Michael through his remarkable and heart-warming journey, from an impoverished background to a National Football League player with the Baltimore Ravens.

Released Friday, March 26th



THE BLIND SIDE | Sandra Bullock stars as in the amazing true story

YOUNGSTERS will be anticipating the release of "Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang" (U) this week.

The sequel to the 2005 popular family film was adapted from Christianna Brand's "Nurse Matilda" books by actress Emma Thompson, who also stars as Nanny McPhee herself.

Based in the Second World War, Nanny McPhee arrives at a farm to help young mother Mrs Green (Maggie Gyllenhaal) with her three children whilst her husband is away fighting. The nanny uses her Mary Poppins-style magical powers to teach the children and their two spoilt cousins five special lessons.

The fantasy comedy boasts an all-star cast, with Ralph Fiennes, Rhys Ifans, Maggie Smith, Asa Butterfield, and comedians Bill Bailey and Katy Brand.

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Fri, Mon & Tue: 13.00, 15.45, 18.30, 21.15. Sat & Sun: 21.15

Hachi: A Dog's Tale (U)

Sat & Sun: 11.00

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Fri-Tue: 13.05, 21.20

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Fun and fairy tales at Camp Bestival

'Jestival' comedy and theme announced for the Lulworth-based festival

WITH spring just about sprung and summer fun on the horizon what could be better than kicking off the summer holidays with a glorious weekend on the Jurassic coast at Lulworth Castle from July 30th to August 1st in the company of all the Camp Bestival crew?

Already fit to burst with musical pleasures including Friendly Fires, Madness, The Human League and George Clinton & Parliament Funkadelic, Camp Bestival can announce not only their fabled Fancy Dress theme, as overwhelmingly voted for by members of the Camp Bestival forum, but also copious comedic treats that will keep you laughing long into the night!

Adding even more enchanting excitement to Camp Bestival's spine-tingling melting pot, this year's fancy dress theme will be the wonderful world of Fairy Tales. With a wealth of legends and fables to draw upon the sky's the limit when it comes to all of the wondrous princes, princesses, mythical beasts and magical beings that will transform Lulworth Castle into a rapturous king-

dom of make believe. With a huge fancy dress parade planned for Sunday the Camp Bestival crew just can't wait for what is destined to be a feast of folkloric frolicking!

With all the dressing up fun well and truly under control we are super-excited to announce a horde of wags and wisecrackers joining the previously announced Jim Jeffries, Marcus Brigstocke, Andrew Maxwell and Andre Vincent for our Jestival Sessions. Taking place in both the East Lulworth Literary Institute and the Big Top Arena the Jestival Sessions will showcase the best of the comedy scene including musical mirth maker Tim Minchin. Wildly unorthodox, brilliantly non-traditional and vividly unique, his acclaimed act not only offers quick-witted observations and rapid-fire delivery, but also the striking sound of an accomplished pianist... albeit a barefoot one.

Recently acclaimed for his show-stopping take on Cheryl Cole's 'Fight For This Love' that brought him dancing glory as the winner of Let's Dance for Sport Relief, Rufus Hound already known to millions as a captain on Argumental will also be on hand. Other rib-tickling comedy acts confirmed for the weekend include former Chorle best newcomer Carl Donnelly, notorious Canadian stand-up Craig Campbell, India's finest comic export Papa CJ, BBC Radio 4 regular Mitch Benn, the exuberant Rob Rouse, Rudetube's Matt Kirshen, the darkly delicious Pete Cain, fast-paced gag-master Tiernan Douieb, the taboo busting Tiffany Stevenson and self confessed shenaniganist Tim Fitzhigham.

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LAST CHANCE TO SEE SILENT FILM DOPE UNDER THORNCOMBE WITH LIVE MUSIC

AFTER a fantastic reaction in February to its first showing, there is one final chance to see "Dope Under Thorncombe" a locally made silent film shot on the Dorset coast, complete with a live performance of new music.

The event takes place at Burton Bradstock Village Hall at 7.30 on April 24th 2010. Tickets can be booked on 01308 897214.

Judging by the reaction to the first performance at Bridport Arts Centre, many will not want to miss this last chance.

Director of the arts centre Lindsay Brook, said: "It was an amazing evening. The theatre was packed and didn't disappoint."

"Many of those present knew friends and family members were in the films so the atmosphere of anticipation was palpable."

"After the show, audience members stayed to talk about the films amongst themselves and to reminisce. Having new live music wedded to old film was obviously a special experience for a lot of people."

Frank Trevett was the Bridport man who in 1938, out of sheer enthusiasm and love of film-making, brought "Dope Under Thorncombe" into being with the help of friends and members of his family. The story was written by local author Andrew Spiller with titles by art teacher Francis Tighe.

Trevor Bailey of Trilith, the rural media charity behind the project to revive the film, said: "It is a kind of folk film-making. Made to echo the style of cinema features of the time but with everybody having fun!"

The film was made at West Bay and along the coast. As the title suggests, it is about the dastardly business of dope smuggling. It has all the classic ingredients:

glamorous heroine, handsome hero, rough matelots, evil gang boss from London, caddish behaviour, pursuit, kidnap, fisticuffs and escape. There is a gunfight and the hero is thrown from a cliff but right triumphs in the end and romance blossoms.

It was some years ago that Frank's son, the late Rex Trevett, got in touch with Trilith about the film but, at that point, could only put his hand on a video copy. Later, his sister, Vivien Smith, was able to make the original film available for modern digital copying and an opportunity dawned. "For over seventy years this had existed as a purely silent film", said Trevor Bailey. "Silent films and music to reflect and enhance their mood always went together. Here was a chance to show how the imaginative efforts of a group of friends all those years ago could inspire modern creativity."

Composer Rachel Leach was commissioned to write the score and will conduct at the Burton Bradstock performance.

Rachel, who has worked with many national orchestras, opera companies and music festivals, was fascinated by the experience.

"It is the first time I have done something quite like this. I have written and directed quite a number of community operas but the film gets you involved in a very different way. You get tied up in its atmosphere. One of the hard bits is keeping the music synchronised with the film during per-



formance. There is no let-up. You just have to keep going and get it right!"

Vivien Smith, was overwhelmed by the experience. She has since been contacted by relatives of people who were in "Dope Under Thorncombe" from whom she had not heard for a great many years.

"There has been much positive feedback from local people", she said. "Every time I go out I meet some-one who was there. Rachel's music was wonderful. What a clever group of musicians they are."

Vivien will be giving a short talk at the Burton Bradstock show about how the film came to be made and the memories that her family and other local people have of their roles.

The Burton Bradstock show at 7.30 on April 24th at Burton Bradstock Village Hall will be the final opportunity to see "Dope Under Thorncombe" with its music performed live and to meet the composer and the group of brilliant young musicians that she has brought together especially for this project. There will also be a full supporting programme of other Dorset archive films from the Trilith collection.

Free Swimming initiative at Bridport Leisure Centre

Free swims for under 16s and over 60s

FROM April 1st 2010 young people aged under 16 and anyone aged 60 and over will be able to enjoy free weekend swimming at Bridport Leisure Centre during specified public sessions.

The free swimming initiative will run for a trial period of 3 months from April 1st to June 30th 2010 and if successful will continue until March 31st 2011. The scheme has been funded by West Dorset District Council as part of their commitment to promoting swimming and general fitness.

In order to qualify for the free weekend swimming which will be available on Saturdays from 12.00pm until 4.00pm and Sundays from 9.00am until 5.30pm, swimmers must register with Reception at Bridport Leisure Centre, providing proof of their age (e.g. birth certificate, passport, bus pass) in order to receive a free membership card which must be presented to Reception on each free weekend swimming visit.

Joanne Hughes, Operations Manager at Bridport Leisure Centre said "it is fantastic that we have received this funding from West Dorset District Council as we were not eligible to take part in the Government's national free swimming initiative. Swimming is an excellent activity for providing all round fitness and we hope that those aged 60 and over and the under 16's will really take advantage of this fantastic opportunity".

Encore Theatre Club presents 'Much Ado About Nothing' by William Shakespeare

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Much Ado About Nothing started at Bridport Arts Centre on Tuesday, March 23rd and will run until Saturday, March 27th, performances are at 7.30 p.m.

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Diary Dates

WEDNESDAY MARCH 24TH

UPLYME: AGM and Talk 'Water in the Garden' by Jenny Short. AGM starts at 7pm. Talk at 7.30pm. At Uplyme Village Hall. Telephone 01297 444034 for more details. Organised by Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society.

THURSDAY MARCH 25TH

BROADMAYNE: Sunray Folk Club present Jim Reynolds and Linda Watkins, at Broadmayne Village Hall.

FRIDAY MARCH 26TH

BRIDPORT: The Proclaimers and Billy Bragg at the Electric Palace, Bridport from 7pm. Telephone 01308 424901 for more details. Organised by Reprieve Charity.

BROADDAK: Antiques evening with a talk and valuations from Gray. Admission is 35 and if you like to bring a small item to be valued please do.

BRIDPORT: Coffee Morning - meet Dr Steve Bick, Labour's Candidate in the General Election and tell him your concerns. 10.30am - 12.30pm at Bridport Town Hall. Organised by West Dorset Labour Party. Telephone 01305 854392 for more details.

BEER (EAST DEVON): Charity Auction in aid of Puffins at Beer Pre-school to raise funds for an interactive whiteboard. From 7.30pm at Dolphin Hotel. Items include paintballing for two, family day out to Wookey Hole and Bicton Park and more.

CHIDEOCK: Chideock Folk Dance at Chideock Hall. 8pm - 11pm. Live band and caller plus Morris Dancers. Admission £5 plus item of food for shared supper. Telephone 01308 427576 for more details.

SATURDAY MARCH 27TH

BEAMINSTER: Book Sale at Beaminster Museum, Whitcombe Road, from 10am - 4pm. Telephone 01308 862880 for more details.

CHARMOUTH: Jumble Sale at Wesley Close Hall from 2pm. Telephone 01297 445606 for more details.

WHITCHURCH CANONICORUM: Easter Bingo with raffle and refreshments at Whitchurch Canonicorum Village Hall. Doors open 7.30pm, eyes down 8pm. In aid of Village Hall funds. Phone Kay on 01297 489375 for more details.

BRADPOLE: Let Me Out! rock and pop music from the 60s to the noughties at Bradpole Social Club. Over 18s only. For more details call 01308 421686.

WEYMOUTH: Radipole & Southill Horticultural Society's Spring Show from 2.15pm at Southill Community Centre, Radipole Lane. Telephone 01305 772533 for more details.

PUNCKNOWLE: Charity Bring and Buy Sale in aid of Joseph Weld Hospice at Puncknowle and Swyre Village Hall from 2.30pm. Bring your unwanted goods (good condition) and buy something different. There will also be books for sale and refreshments.

SUNDAY MARCH 28TH

BEAMINSTER: Beaminster One World Fellowship at the Strode Room, Church Street from 4pm. Entry £1. All welcome. Refreshments. Telephone 01308 458283 for more details.

MONDAY MARCH 29TH

MISTERTON: Easter Bingo at Misterton Village Hall. Doors open 6.45, eyes down 7.30. Usual great prizes, raffle, tombola and light refreshments. Still only 50p book of 10 games. Free car parking. Enq. 01460 74982.

BRIDPORT: AGM - Golden Cap Centre of the National Trust. At Bridport United Church Hall, East Street from 7.30pm. Telephone 01308 863577 for more details.

THURSDAY APRIL 1ST

SALWAY ASH: Easter Bingo - £50 cash jackpot, with refreshments and raffle. Doors open 7pm, eyes down at 7.30pm. At Salway Ash Village Hall, telephone 01308 488170 for more details.

SATURDAY APRIL 3RD

BRIDPORT: Coffee Morning with stalls at Bridport United Church Hall from 10am - noon. In aid of Action for children. Telephone 01308 423250.

SATURDAY APRIL 3RD - TUESDAY MAY 4TH

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Completely parli-mental!

THE creative team behind Professor Bumm's Story Machine and The Joy of Wine return with their new show to the Marine Theatre in Lyme Regis on Saturday 3rd April. The Black Sheep, comedy duo Andrew Jones and Ciaran Murtagh, revisit the scene of previous triumphs including I Lear, with The Joy of Politics, an evening of lies, damn lies and silly Whigs!

From the Magna Carta to this morning's headlines, the Black Sheep pledge to deliver a manifesto of mirth that is guaranteed to bring down the house, updated daily with topical jokes and satirical sketches.

Andrew Jones and Ciaran Murtagh have been writing and performing theatre and comedy shows together since 1999, founding The Black Sheep in 2002. They have also increasingly been writing for TV and Radio, with recent credits including BBC1's The Legend of Dick and Dom, The Slammer, and Scoop, and Radio 4's The Bearded Ladies and Recorded for Training Purposes.

Marine Theatre Creative Director Ian Stephens said: "If you love Yes Minister, The New Statesman and The Now Show, you'll love The Joy of Politics - an irreverent romp through the corridors of power and the cul-de-sacs of Quango."



The Joy of Politics is at 8pm on Saturday, April 2nd at the Marine Theatre. Tickets cost £11, available from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre on 01297 442138, online at www.marine-theatre.org.uk or on the door.

To begin at the beginning...

THE acclaimed stage version of one of the Twentieth Century's most celebrated radio plays comes to Dorset on Thursday 1st April. Guy Masterson's remarkable one-man retelling of Under Milk Wood will be hosted by the Marine Theatre in Lyme Regis.

Under Milk Wood is Dylan Thomas' most famous and enduring work, now translated into over 100 languages. A favourite since its first broadcast with Richard Burton in January 1954, it brilliantly conjures up the intimate dreams and innermost desires of the inhabitants of Llareggub - a small fictional sea-town somewhere in Wales. Bawdy and beautiful, sad and sensual, through the music of language, it creates indelible, unforgettable images of humanity.

In this stage adaptation, and using nothing but a wooden chair, dark glasses, apposite lighting and a beautifully haunting soundscape by Matt Clifford, Guy Masterson performs the entire work - all 69 characters; men, women, girls, boys, cows, pigs, a horse and a cat - himself. It is unbelievably recreated and entirely enchanting.

To call Masterson's performance "remarkable" is an understatement. Committing the work - word perfectly - to memory is one thing; to perform all the

characters in such an engaging, delightful and totally convincing manner is another. Masterson achieves all this and more. The performance is quite simply amazing. This interpretation premiered at The Traverse Theatre Edinburgh in February 1994 and subsequently played at the Assembly Rooms at Edinburgh Festivals 1994, 1996, 2000 and 2003. It also played at the Arts Theatre and the Bloomsbury Theatre in London's West End in 1997 and 2005 respectively. In its 15 year history, he has toured the throughout the United Kingdom, all over India, Australia, New Zealand and Holland, Hong Kong, Singapore, France, Italy, Ireland, Trinidad and Greece. With over 1500 performances under his belt, the show is probably destined to continue until Masterson is physically unable to carry on. The Times described the show as 'one of the most inventive, remarkable performances of the decade' (May 1997)

Under Milk Wood is at 8pm on Thursday 1st April at the Marine Theatre. Tickets cost £11 (£9 concessions), available from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre on 01297 442138, online at www.marine-theatre.org.uk or on the door.



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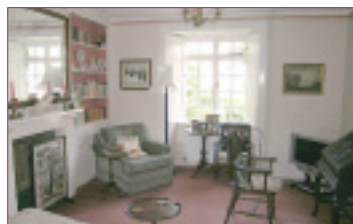


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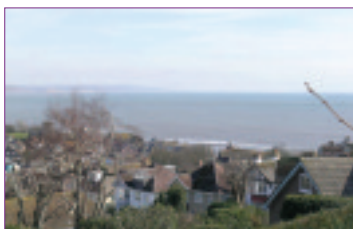
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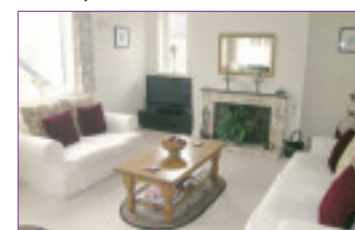
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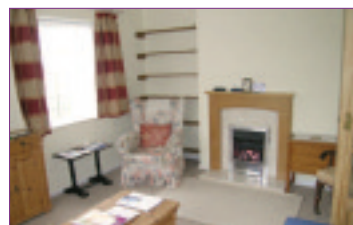
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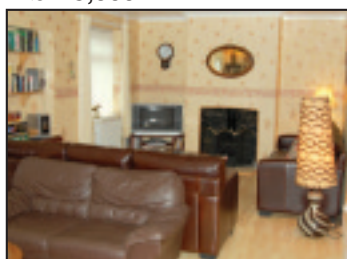
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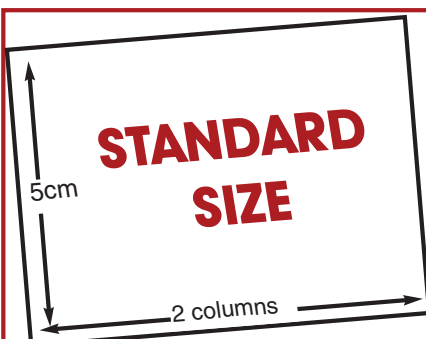
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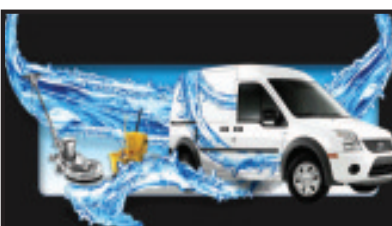
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Recognition from the leading industry publication represents a superb swansong for the current Mazda6 range as the manufacturer gears up to launch a

revised line-up over the coming weeks.

The award was presented at a glittering ceremony at London's Grosvenor House Hotel on Wednesday (March 17, 2010) with the independent panel of fleet expert judges declaring: "The Mazda6 Estate combines excellent practicality with genuine driver appeal thanks to its huge load volume, engaging

drive and powerful diesel engines.

"It represents great value for fleet operators with strong residual values, while its keen pricing and competitive CO2 emissions make it a tempting proposition when it comes to driver taxation.

"It is also very well equipped and comes with excellent safety features, including an audible rear blindspot warning on some models. Folding the rear seats results in a flat load area allowing the Mazda6 to swallow an enormous cargo. With sharp handling, first-rate build quality and good levels of comfort, it offers fleets a capable workhorse estate that is also desirable for drivers."

The judges concluded: "The Mazda6 combines flexibility with driver appeal and is a good deal for fleets from a financial point of view."

The triumph in this year's Fleet News Awards comes 12 months after the Mazda6 was named 'Best Large Family Car' at last

year's 'Oscars' and the Mazda6 scooping the 'Family Car' and 'Estate Car' categories at the What Car? Car of the Year 2010 Awards.

The Mazda6 was the car that put the company on the fleet map when it first entered showrooms eight years ago.

Following the latest awards win for the current generation Mazda6, Fleet and Remarketing Director Peter Allibon said: "The Mazda6 has always been a compelling package for fleets, which has been recognised by this year's Fleet News Awards' judges.

"We are delighted that the current model's sector-leading credentials have secured another fleet award, but all eyes are now focused on the new model, which delivers an even more compelling proposition to the corporate sector thanks to lower CO2 emissions (down by up to 6.1 percent), improved fuel economy (up to 6.4 percent) and better performance from up-graded engines."



CO2 has been cut by up to 10g/km on a model-for-model basis across the Mazda6 range delivering benefit-in-kind tax savings for company car drivers and financial savings on a range of other vehicle-related taxes for companies - Class 1A National Insurance contributions paid on benefits-in-kind, Vehicle Excise Duty and capital allowances. Estate diesel model emissions all reduce to below 150g/km to help offset April 2010 5g/km increases in company car tax

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The revised 19-model Mazda6 range will enter showrooms shortly with a choice of two body styles (hatchback and estate), six engines (three petrol and three diesel) and four equipment levels - S, TS, TS2, and Sport. Priced from £16,990 on-the-road for the Mazda6 1.8 Sdr S with the Estate range starting at £19,290 for the Mazda6 Estate 2.0 TS.



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Lexus upgrades the ultimate luxury Hybrid

LEXUS'S full hybrid LS 600h limousine gains more advanced technology and more passenger comfort for 2010, reinforcing its position as one of the most sophisticated and luxurious cars on the market. The revised range now centres on the five-seat LS 600h L long-wheelbase model, equipped with a Rear Seat Relaxation Package.

Rear Seat Relaxation Package

Lexus has made the LS 600h L's Rear Seat Relaxation Package available as an option for five as well as four-seat models. It provides a series of features that pro-

vide a truly first class travelling environment.

The package equips the left hand rear seat (on right-hand drive models) with an electrically adjustable ottoman foot and thigh rest and an adjustable massage function that can replicate techniques from Shiatsu to acupressure. The seat is fitted with seat cushion airbag and, to give a clear view, the front passenger headrest can be electrically folded down. All rear seats have an electric recline adjustment.

The features include a more sophisticated climate control system that monitors the passengers' body temperature for more effective control of the cabin environment. For the four seat version, a fixed centre console is provided with a built-in cool box, DVD and CD store and a retracting and adjustable wood inlay tray.

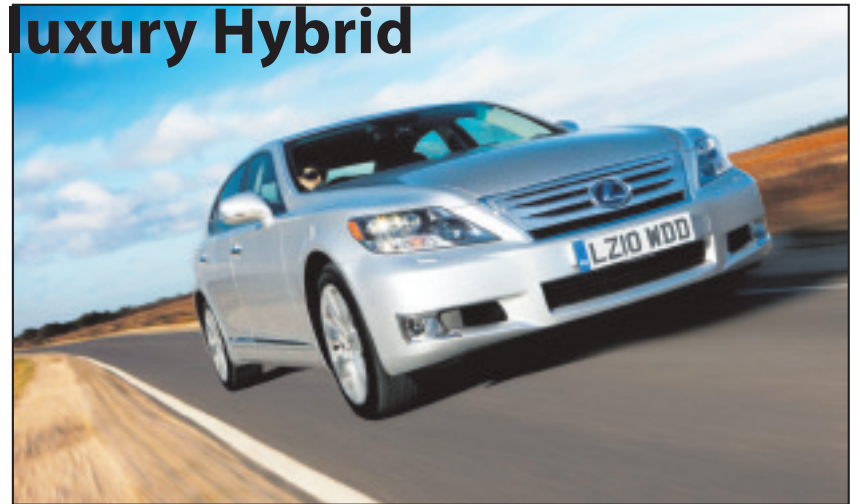
Where four seats are specified, the rear seat entertainment system features a roof-mounted nine-inch VGA LCD monitor; with the five-seat option the screen is centre console mounted.

Headlight technology

The advanced headlight system is further improved with the adoption of automatic high beam operation. A sensor in the rear view mirror detects on-coming traffic, streetlights and vehicles ahead and automatically switches the headlight high beam on and off as conditions require.

The Lexus LS was the first car in the world to feature LED technology for low beam headlights. It offers exceptional illumination power across the full width of the road, without causing glare for oncoming traffic. The units use less power than conventional lamps and light up almost instantaneously. Their design, with a transparent blue ring around each of the three projector lenses, gives the LS 600h an unmistakable headlamp signature.

The effectiveness of the headlights is further increased by the Intelligent Adaptive Front-lighting System (AFS), which swivels the headlamp units in line with vehicle speed and steering angle to improve illumination through bends at junctions and when turning into parking places.



Brembo braking technology

The performance of the LS 600h's electronically controlled braking has been improved by 12.5 per cent. The 380 mm ventilated front discs brakes are equipped with six-piston callipers, discs and pads of which have been jointly developed with Brembo. Featuring high mu pads to reduce abnormal noise and vibration, the new brakes provide excellent feel and the fade-free, high speed stopping power.

HDD satellite navigation and sound library

In common with its sister Lexus models, the 2010 LS 600h adopts a 40GB hard disc drive (HDD) system to support its satellite navigation. The HDD also provides 10GB storage for an on-board sound library of digital files.

Exterior styling and colours

The 2010 LS 600h can be identified from its new front grille and front and rear bumper design. Signature LED sidelights have also been added, together with turn indicator lamps integrated in the door mirrors. The range of exterior colours has been revised, including the introduction of a new shade, Crystal Sapphire.

Interior features

The 2010 LS 600h gains new LCD dashboard instrumentation and improved "butterfly" design headrests. All versions of the car now benefit from the Rear Seat Upgrade Package, which includes four zone climate control, a multi-function rear centre armrest with through-hatch into the boot, rear side airbags, electric sunshades on the rear doors, electrically adjustable rear seats with memory settings, lumbar massage and integrated air conditioning and roof-mounted air conditioning diffusers.

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Cyclists: claim your lane, says IAM

THE IAM (Institute of Advanced Motorists) has urged cyclists to make themselves seen and to "claim their lane", moving out into the middle of the lane when approaching a junction or parked cars.

Duncan Pickering, IAM Cycling Development Manager, said: "There has been some debate as to whether cyclists should stick to the kerb or push out into the road when riding in built-up areas. Our advice to cyclists, based on a comprehensive study, is to stay near to the kerb on long even stretches, but to assert yourself when approaching a junction, pushing out into the road and putting yourself in the direct view of drivers.

"Sticking to the kerb where drivers are not necessarily looking means they are less likely to see you."

Studies have shown that drivers primarily pay attention to the major stream of traffic when navigating a junction, paying little attention to auxiliary roads which are more likely to have cyclists on them.

"Drivers are more likely to notice bikes travelling in the same direction as the oncoming traffic and, when turning left, mainly focus their attention on cars coming from the right, as they don't see the left as posing a particular threat. This means they fail to see cyclists from the left early enough," added Mr Pickering.

The IAM, the UK's largest independent road safety charity, recommends cyclists:

Take up a primary position around 75-100m before reaching a junction, in the centre of the lane, providing it is

safe to do so. This move will mean that drivers exiting the junction will be more likely to see the cyclist as they are in the same traffic flow as more hazardous vehicles.

Take the "secondary position" when cycling along a straight stretch of road which is clear of junctions and parked cars.

Keep a sensible distance, about half a meter, from the kerb to avoid hazards such as slippery drain-covers.

Remember it is not always sensible or appropriate to take the centre of the lane especially if traffic is heavy.

While a lack of awareness on the part of some motorists is no doubt a huge factor in car/bike collisions, it pays for the cyclist as the more vulnerable road user to ride to be seen where possible.

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Division One

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SOMERSET INTERMEDIATE CUP SEMI-FINAL

ILMINSTER Town Colts looked to be on their way to the Somerset Intermediate cup final as they led Barwick & Stoford by a brace of Andy Fish goals at the interval. But their Yeovil & District League Division One opponents stormed back to take the tie 3-2.

PREMIER

SOUTH Petherton added some clout to their goal difference column when they hammered Chardmouth for the third time this season.

Pethy crushed their West Dorset opponents 9-1 at Lightgate Lane to add to earlier 6-0 and 7-0 scorelines.

Sam Bourne put the hosts ahead before Shaun Meyers restored parity with his 13th goal of the season. But it was from here that the goals really started to flow. Man-of-the-Match Danny Rendall, Mark Tierney, Mike Gillyat (2), Lee Richards, Jodie Bovey, Liam Murray and John Hayter made up the final goal tally with Chardmouth grateful to the woodwork that came to their aid on four occasions.

Lyme Regis moved two points clear at the top after a 4-0 win over Barrington at the Davey Fort.

The visitors shaded the first half-hour but it all changed when Lee Cleal clipped in a pinpoint cross that Julien Simier superbly volleyed home on the turn. A minute before the break Cleal, who had a fine game, then scored one of the finest goals seen at the Fort for many seasons. The midfielder weaved his way in from the right flank before curling home a 20-yard drive that gave Barrington keeper Dan Caines no chance.

Barrington remained in the game without creating too many clear-cut opportunities right up until the 78th minute when Simier finished well following good work from Adam Caddy and substitute Danny Prendeville. The Frenchman then rounded off his first hat-trick in English football five minutes from time.

Ilminster Reserves continued their fine run and moved up a place to fourth after a 6-1 thumping of Merriott Rovers.

Blues' keeper Adam Berry made a fine penalty save with the score at 2-0 and that was as close as the Rovers came to threatening the result. Dan Vining (2), Simon Manley, Paul Retter, Scott Jennings and Paul Stoodley made up the Ilminster half-dozen with Tom Case netting the consolation.

Beaminster's fading title hopes received another set-back as they were held to a 2-2 draw by Crewkerne Town at the Memorial Ground. The Rainbows had the better of the first 45 but were limited to an Adam Gale goal five minutes before the interval. A pair of crackers from Crewkerne skipper Jamie Spurdle turned things around before Murray Legg moved

up to 20 for the season with the leveller.

White Horse finally ended a run of 12 games without a win as they beat Misterton 3-0 at Symondsburry. Pete Lawrence put the hosts ahead before the game was held up for a suspected cruciate knee ligament injury to Horse right-back Richard Maiditt.

When play resumed Colin Paul bagged a second-half brace for Ian Pincombe's side that kept their first clean sheet in 35 matches and had star performances from Karl Ives and John Kingston.

Premier Division	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Lyme Regis	11	10	0	1	32	11	30
Beaminster	13	9	1	3	50	17	28
South Petherton	10	9	0	1	54	7	27
Ilminster Res	14	7	3	4	46	24	24
Barrington	15	7	3	5	29	36	24
Merriott Rovers	12	7	0	5	29	32	21
Perry Street	16	6	3	7	30	45	21
Combe Reserves	16	6	2	8	30	33	20
Crewkerne	17	5	3	9	37	45	18
Misterton	15	4	4	7	24	32	16
White Horse	13	2	2	9	21	37	8
Chardmouth	16	0	3	13	21	84	3

DIVISION ONE

WEST & Middle Chinnock's unbeaten League record was obliterated in a 5-1 hammering at Farway United.

The top of the table game was effectively over within 20 minutes as the Devonians raced into a 3-0 lead. It got worse for the visitors as keeper Guy Cossins was red-carded for a foul.

James Sayers found the net for the seventh game in a row as Netherbury won 1-0 at Perry Street Reserves. Top man for the Ambers, who climb a place to fourth, was defender Danny Rawlings.

Resurgent Lyme Regis took a step towards Division One safety with an impressive 5-2 win over Chard Rangers at Jocelyn Park. Rory Holmes opened the scoring before the hosts leveled in the 20th minute. Aaron Cleal restored the Seasiders advantage before centre-back Tim Edwards cracked home a 25-yard scorcher to give his side some breathing space at the break. Fellow defender Adam Clarke made it 4-1 with a precise finish on the hour mark. Rangers pulled

another back but Lyme weren't to be denied their deserved three points and completed a League double with substitute Neal Baker netting the fifth. Top performers for Lyme were midfielders Cleal, Holmes and Gerard Hitchcock.

Division One	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
W & M Chinnock	11	8	2	1	44	23	26
Farway United	11	6	3	2	29	14	21
Forton Rangers	10	6	2	2	18	11	20
Netherbury	11	5	3	3	28	19	18
Ilminster Colts	8	5	3	0	19	11	18
Winsham United	10	5	2	3	24	19	15
Chard Rangers	13	3	1	9	21	52	10
Pymore	8	2	2	4	12	20	8
Perry Street Res	11	2	2	7	25	34	8
Thorncombe	11	2	1	8	21	26	7
Lyme Regis Res	10	2	1	7	23	35	7

DIVISION TWO

A 9-1 demolition of lowly Drimpton has left Millwey Rise with one foot in the Division One after they extended their lead at the top to 12 points.

Things looked good for the visitors as Adam Chant put them ahead in the third minute. Adam Whitehouse equalised soon after and the sides were evenly matched for half an hour. But Callum Garrett put the Slopers ahead ten minutes before half-time and the goal set-up a one-sided second 45.

Mike Knight started the goal procession and was followed by Marc Jenkins (2), Whitehouse, Ian Hall, Ashley Phillips and rounded off by veteran Bryan Perryman as Millwey racked-up their biggest win in more than five years.

Uplyme travelled to Hinton for a threadbare squad and were punished. The Saints stroled to a 5-0 win despite the best efforts of Uplyme defender Kieran White.

Division Two	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Millwey Rise	13	12	1	0	46	15	37
Norton Athletic	12	8	1	3	43	23	25
Dowlsh & Don	14	7	1	6	47	40	22
Hinton St George	14	6	3	5	39	25	21
Beaminster Res	12	6	2	4	31	27	20
Shepton Beau	11	5	2	4	33	17	17
South Peth Res	13	3	6	4	32	29	15
Forton Res	12	4	3	5	20	23	15
Uplyme	13	4	2	7	21	36	14

Drimpton	14	2	1	11	27	68	7
Chard United	12	2	0	10	16	52	6

DIVISION THREE

The top of the table clash between Crewkerne Rangers and Hawkchurch at Wadham School ended all-square at 1-1. Nick Bezera gave the Rangers the lead at the break. The Hawks were forced into a reshuffle following an injury to keeper Ashley Raisen. Glenn Harding took over between the sticks and did well. The point was earned by Dan Turner's fifth of the campaign. Top man for the visitors was midfielder Chris Tratt.

Division Three	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Hawkchurch	15	10	3	2	51	31	33
Fivehead United	13	7	2	4	24	22	23
Misterton Rese	15	7	2	6	39	41	23
Crewk Rangers	10	7	0	3	42	19	21
Lyme Bantams*	12	7	0	5	36	25	18
Luso-Chard	11	6	0	5	40	30	18
Millwey Rise	14	6	0	8	28	33	18
Crewkerne Res	9	5	1	3	24	17	16
Combe A	12	4	2	6	22	23	14
Shepton Res	14	3	1	10	25	43	10
Chard Rang Res	15	2	1	12	19	66	7

* = points deducted

DIVISION FOUR

A MATT Read hat-trick inspired Waytown Hounds to a superb 4-2 win over fading Farway United Reserves. Tom Rutland scored the Hounds' other goal.

Chard United Reserves came back from a goal down at half-time to win 4-1 at Chardmouth Reserves. Simon Knight netted for the Robins who later had player-manager Toby Gordon red-carded for a last man foul.

Hawkchurch Reserves came from 3-1 down to salvage a point from 3-3 draw with visiting Thorncombe Reserves. Man-of-the-Match Joe Carter, Stuart Weir (pen) and player-manager Greg Harding scored for the Hawks.

Division Four	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Winsham Utd Res	16	9	4	3	61	46	31
Hinton Reserves	16	7	4	5	34	39	25
Farway Utd Res	13	7	3	3	45	24	24
Waytown Hounds	14	8	0	6	51	33	24
Chard United Res	12	7	2	3	38	25	23
Barrington Res	14	7	2	5	44	35	23
Ilminster Town A	12	7	2	3	36	29	23



Val Va Voom: Lyme Regis striker Julien Simier struck three times to send Seasiders clear at the top.



OPENER: Pete Lawrence opened the scoring as White Horse returned to winning ways.



HAT-TRICK: Matt Read's third hat-trick of the season has reignited Hounds' hopes.

Combe B	18	7	1	10	58	51	22
Thorncombe Res*	15	4	4	7	33	42	13
Hawkchurch Res	16	2	3	11	29	51	9
Chardmouth Res*	16	3	1	12	17	71	9

* = points deducted.

LEAGUE NEWS

OFFICIALS of the PSL have agreed to extend the season up until May 29th. The extension was agreed by clubs present at a League extraordinary meeting held at Perry Street club last Tuesday.

Evening kick-offs will begin week commencing 29th March. To begin with, midweek matches will be played over a 70 minute time span.

FIXTURES

Saturday, March 27th
Jack Venn Cup
Semi-finals 2pm
Shepton Beau v Millwey Rise
South Petherton Res v Forton Res

Daisy Hutchings Cup

Round 2 2pm
Crewkerne Res v Beaminster Res

All matches below kick off 2.30pm

Premier Division

Combe Reserves v Lyme Regis
Misterton v Merriott Rovers
Perry Street v Ilminster Town Res
White Horse v Chardmouth

Division One

Forton Rangers v Netherbury
Lyme Regis Res v W & M Chinnock
Pymore v Perry Street Reserves
Thorncombe v Farway United
Winsham United v Ilminster Colts

Division Two

Chard United v Norton Athletic
Drimpton v Dowlsh & Donyatt
Uplyme v Hinton St George

Division Three

Chard Rangers Res v Shepton Res
Fivehead v Crewkerne Rangers
Hawkchurch v Combe A

Luso-Chard v Lyme Bantams
Millwey Rise Res v Misterton Res

Division Four

Chardmouth Res v Winsham Res
Farway Utd Res v Barrington Res
Ilminster A v Hinton Reserves
Thorn Res v Hawkchurch Res
Waytown Hounds v Combe B

Lyme Regis Golf Club

AFTER four days of thick fog and inevitable course closure. Lyme Golfers took to the course in high numbers on Sunday to enjoy a bright sunny morning for the March Stableford competition writes Steve Percival.

With a chilly breeze blowing but a course in excellent condition for the time of year, the playing conditions were more than matched by the carded scores.

In Division One Peter Mayles, playing off a handicap of 10, carded an excellent 40 points to claim victory. In second place, only one point behind with 39 points was Adrian Morgan (4).

Another regular in the 'winners enclosure' was Peter Spiers (14) who carded an also excellent 38 points. In Fourth place was club junior George Seed (13) who carded a 36 points playing to his current handicap.

Division Two saw Les Bounds (17) feature yet again with an electrifying three under par equivalent round of 39 points which beat Peter Locke (15) by a one point margin. Third place, a further one point behind, was Hugo Bugg (15) with 37 points. Although Division two players failed to record any birdie "twos" there were a total of six recorded by the Division one players.

In all the overall level of play was a true

reflection of the weather and course conditions.

Club stages a successful Charity Race Night

On Friday, March 19th over 100 members of the Lyme Regis Golf club took part in a charity race night in aid of the Captain's designated charity, the Friends of the Dorset County Hospital.

With weather conditions up to the start line murky to say the least, most participants were pleased to find the going in the event venue firm in warm and clear conditions.

Master minded by this year's mens vice-captain, Ray Farrell ably supported by members of the Ladies section who appeared resplendent in Jockeys attire.

The event was staged as series of pre-recorded video races. The placing of bets was kept throughout the evening and, although the majority of "punters" returned home with somewhat lighter wallets and purses, the Captains charity benefitted to the tune of well over £800.

Club Awarded prestigious Golf Mark Award

LYME Regis Golf Club (LRGC) have now achieved the prestigious GolfMark award.

This award, was introduced by the English Golf Union (EGU) and English Women's Golf Association (EWGA) to recognise those facilities that have shown an outstanding and innovative contribution to junior and beginner golf.

During the last year Lyme Regis Golf Club has reached out consistently to schools and the community and fostered a friendly, family atmosphere at the club. Juniors compete regularly with adults and adults provide a mentoring 'buddy' scheme.

Junior coaching sessions and competitions are regular events, while growing links with local schools provide a pathway to encourage new youngsters to develop their golf at the club under the expert supervision of Duncan Driver the club professional.

However, Duncan, in typically modest fashion, acknowledges that this achievement would not have been possible without the assistance of willing volunteer club members. In particular the club manager David Astill and ex-club captain Jim Allen.

GolfMark is a national scheme that identifies and recognises junior and beginner friendly golf facilities. Any golf club

awarded GolfMark is recognised by Sport England as a Clubmark facility, which is a national standard identifying quality sports clubs across the country.

LRGC has not only achieved this award but has been recognised as the only Golf Club in Dorset with a "high achiever" accreditation.

A measure of the success of the LRGCC is the fact that the junior section now boasts a significant number of current County Junior Academy members in George Yorke, David Searle, and David Lyon with George Seed already representing Dorset at under 14 level.

Meanwhile Scott Love who, at the age of 18, having passed from Devon Junior player to the senior level, has recently achieved a scratch handicap and is now expected to represent his county of residence at at least B if not A team level.

Further developments of the Junior section are anticipated during the forthcoming season with even more junior members awaiting entry into the Dorset academy.

This should also be greatly assisted by the imminent opening of the nine-hole 'pitch and putt' facility which is to be a joint venture between Duncan Driver and Lyme Regis Town Council near to the main golf club site.



◆ FULLY DESERVED: Duncan Driver (centre) receives the GolfMark award from Marcus Urbye (Dorset Golf Development Officer) and Dale Rhodes (West Dorset schools partnership manager).

West Bay Sea Angling

Late ray gives Chidzoy title

LOCAL West Bay SAC angler Dave Chidzoy's ray was enough to win him the Chesil Champs trophy and beat his only real challenger Dave Lane from Weymouth on Sunday. With the water coloured from bad weather on Friday and Saturday, most competitors were expecting to catch dogfish, but only one was caught, by Lane, and it looked likely that it would give him the title, until Chidzoy's 2kg 450g late catch supped his chances.

Seventy-seven competitors, signed on, including three jun-



◆ **CHESIL CHAMP:**
Dave Chidzoy with
his winning small
eyed ray

iors and two ladies, with the boundaries being the Jurassic Pier at West Bay to the flagpole at West Bexington. About half choose to fish Cogden, with the others West Bexington, Freshwater and the East Pier.

Thirty-seven competitors weighed in with Lane's haul of 1kg 255g taking second place and Stuart Gray from Yeovil third with 730g of fish including the heaviest flatfish; a 635 g flounder.

Lynn Mudford was top lady with 40g and Oliver Mears top junior with 515g.

Chidzoy's small eyed ray took heaviest round fish and he also won the Super Pool of £290. T Havill won the 'No Fish Draw'.

Fish caught on the day were rockling dogfish, small eyed ray, pouting, whiting, pollock, flounder and dab. The total weight caught was 12kg 380g no fish were wasted as those not wanted for eating or bait went for pot bait.

West Bay Sea Angling Club would like to thank all who donated prizes and Freshwater Beach Holiday park for the use of their facilities and beach for the competition, as well as all the competitors who took part.

POPE POPS OVER TO SEAL WIN

RUGBY: Dorset & Wilts U20 33 Oxfordshire 25
DORSET & Wilts stormed through to the quarter-finals of the National Under-20 Championships when they overcame Oxfordshire 33-25 in a very entertaining match at Bournemouth last week.

Having won all of their group matches they now face Middlesex at Bournemouth this Sunday (28th) ko 2.15.

James Newsam of Dorchester RFC was in the Dorset & Wilts side who found themselves 10-0 down with only three minutes on the clock, but fought back to lead 14-13 at the interval.

They increased this to 28-13 before Oxfordshire produced a scintillating comeback to get within a point, but Bournemouth's Mike Pope made the game safe with an unconverted try five minutes from the end.



BRIDPORT SKITTLES

Cup fixtures for week beginning Monday March 29th:
Over 58's

Monday March 29th - Tiger: R. Tuck, C. Langdon, B. Herbert, S. Bulled, G. Legg, M. Chivers, M. Hansford, S. Gale, V. Cozens, J. Brooks, N. Pye; B. Legg, M. Bollen, T. Davis, J. Scotten, D. Maunder.

Lock Hansford Cup - Fourth Round
Tuesday March 30th: Crazy Gang v Featherbeds, Rejects v Pioneers.

Thursday April 1st: Nelson Nobblers v Wanderers, Ship-faced v Not Survivors.

Cup Winners Cup - 3rd Round
Monday March 29th: Wanderers v Ship-faced, Chimps v U Know The Blokes (5).

Tuesday March 30th: Mean Machine v Bulldozers or Ginger Gales (0/10).

Thursday April 1st: Rockets v Smithy's Boys (10)

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BOB BUCKLER RACING GROUND TOO FAST FOR TRIO

ALL three of Bob Buckler's runners at the Cheltenham Festival gave good performances but were beaten by the drying ground writes *Stuart Broom*.

"All of them would have benefitted from softer ground, in fact if they had not watered the track on Wednesday night we would not have run The Sawyer," said Buckler.

"In all three cases the horses ran cracking races but were beaten by the speed merchants who like the better ground."

Tuesday's William Hill Trophy saw Niche Market's warm up prior to the Grand National on April 10th and he showed good form in finishing ninth after taking the lead four from home. However in the run in he was out-paced on the good ground.

Although badly baulked two out when Song of Songs fell it didn't really make much difference to the result.

"As the Racing Post reported, it was a super prep run for him for the national, and on that run on the softer ground of Friday, he would be in the money in the Gold Cup.

"He jumped brilliantly and I can't fault him," enthused Buckler.

Colin Tizzard's Joe Lively contested the lead with Buckler's horse until Niche Market took up the running

whereby Tizzard's horse dropped out to finish towards the back.

Double Dizzy also put in a good performance in the Glenfaras Handicap Chase on the cross country course. Unfortunately Andrew Glassonbury lost his irons at the 18th of the 32 fences and despite a valiant effort and chased the leaders home to finish eighth.

"It was a very promising run and again he jumped well, but was beaten for pace on the firmer ground," said Buckler, who will now aim the nine-year-old at the Irish Grand National at Fairyhouse on April 5th and hope to emulate Niche Market's success of last year.

"He ran a superb race and if the ground is right will do well over the shorter distance of 2 miles 5 furlongs."

Such was the state of the ground that Buckler was ready to withdraw The Sawyer from the Byrne Group Plate on Thursday.

However the track was watered and although not as soft as his horse would have liked, he decided to race him, and once again he put in a very creditable performance.

With Nathan Sweeney on board he made the running for a lot of the race but like the other two was swallowed

up by horses liking the faster ground.

"Considering the handicapper has put him up 18lb over the season, he still ran a blinder of a race on fast ground. His jumping was immaculate but was beaten in the end for pace."

Unfortunately there was no success for Tizzard's two in the same race with Hey Big Spender unseating son Joe whilst Mount Oscar was forced to pull up.

However the Milborne Port duo did have a winner when Cue Card sprinted up in the Weatherbys Champion Bumper to produce one of the biggest shocks of the four day event. Ridden by Joe, the 40/1 outsider ran away with the £34,000 prize storming up the finishing hill to win by eight lengths to spread eagle a string of fancied Irish horses on St Patrick's Day.

Two other local trainers were out of luck in the Foxhunter's Chase which followed the Gold Cup race.

Turnthen trained by Askerswell's Charlie Fox was unable to repeat last year's second place, finishing eighth after having made a mistake at the water jump, whilst Richard Barber's Trust Fund finished tenth after being hampered four out and Le Duc was pulled up before the last.

BRIDPORT SQUEEZE HOME IN NAILBITER

SQUASH:

Dorchester 4th 12pts Bridport 2nd 14pts

THIS local derby against old rivals Dorchester developed into a really tight and tense struggle which could have gone either way (writes Roger Lewis).

Dorchester is never a good hunting ground for Bridport but on this occasion they gained a worthy victory.

Chris Glover at one for Bridport came very close to defeat in his game against Richard Ashdown. It was nip and tuck throughout with both trying to outwit each other. It was the tight drop shots of Ashdown being counter attacked by the boast and drive shots of Glover. The match went all the way but in the end it was Glover's determination that saw him through to record a 9-5, 9-10, 10-8, 6-9, 9-6 victory.

Tony Cooke at two was paired against Dorchester's in form youngster Nick Watts, and it was Watts who asserted his authority from the start, not allowing Cooke into the match. His retrieving ability and domination of court centre was the deciding factor and he powered through to take the match 9-1, 9-5, 9-4.

Bridport skipper Robert Muir and Dorchester's Steve

Jeffrey produced a great battle at three with the game fluctuating throughout. Jeffrey's unorthodox style had Muir on th back foot on many occasions, but Muir's excellent retrieval game forced his opponent to vary his game. It was very much a battle of wits but in the end it was Muir who came through to record a very good 9-0, 2-9, 10-9, 8-18, 9-5 victory.

Steve Hodder and Colin England's match was very much a game of two halves. Dorchester's England started well and completely dominated Hodder who only managed five points in the first two ties. However Hodder showed steel and inched his way back into the game turning the tables by using tight volley drives. This strategy proved successful and in the end it was Hodder who staged a remarkable recovery to win 1-9, 4-9, 9-0, 9-1, 9-2.

Dorchester's Megan Howells was making her debut at five against Russell Willatts. The tenacious Howells maintained a good length in her game which had Willatts on the back foot on many occasions. She kept Willatts under pressure and faults eventually appeared in his game and he had to succumb to hand Howells a very good first victory by a 9-3, 9-4, 4-9, 9-6 score.

Triathlon raises £1400

A LIVELY Tri-Mile Triathlon hoseted by SailLaser and the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy (WPNSA) recently raised £1,400 in aid of BBC Sport Relief 2010.

Thirty-three participants ranging in age from seven to 15 years from the Onboard Sailing Club at SailLaser, and the neighboring local Weymouth and Portland sailing clubs enjoyed ideal weather conditions with brilliant sunshine and a 10 knot wind blowing from the north.

The event got off to a smooth start with the competitors racing in pairs, with a mile run from the WPNSA to the Bluewater car park changeover point. With a quick change of footwear, the competitors led by Laura Nairn and Gemma Lawrence were splashing into the water ready to swim out to the Laser Performance Pico Dinghies.

Once the Pico's were reached, they rigged them before sailing around a

marked course in front of the WPNSA.

The children were met with a large crowd of local supporters and parents at the slipway who cheered them in and through the finish line.

The first pair to finish was Toby Dent and Tom Rowell, who are both regular SailLaser sailors, followed very closely by Laura Nairn and Gemma Lawrence.

SailLaser Team Centre Manager Matt Bridge, said: "The children worked really hard to get through those three miles, they have done an amazing job at fundraising and we are all really proud of them. Thank you also, to all the volunteers that helped us run the event; it was an overwhelming effort from everyone. The total raised on the day was a huge £1,400; this was above and beyond the amount expected."

John Tweed, Chief Executive of the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy commented: "We

are really proud of all the children's hard work competing. They have had a lot of fun raising money for BBC Sport Relief and competing in this unique event for an incredibly worthy cause. Toby and Tom had a particularly good time around the course then going on to win the event."

SailLaser's sister centre in Strathclyde Park near Glasgow also raised £600 towards the cause making to the total amount raised £2000 for Comic Relief.

All money raised by competitors from the event will go directly to BBC Sport Relief which funds Comic Relief through national sporting events. Comic Relief helps people living incredibly tough lives, both here in the UK and across the world's poorest countries.

One of their main target areas this year for funding is to help the child labourers working on the streets and in factories.



◆ **THEY'RE OFF:** Children line up for the SailLaser Tri-Mile event at the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy

GAPE AT THE DOUBLE IN COMFORTABLE WIN

Beaminster 4 Wimborne Wayfarers 1

BEAMINSTER Ladies hockey team had no problems overcoming bottom side Wimborne Wayfarers last Saturday.

Despite missing skipper Jenny Clarke who had not recovered from an ankle injury sustained at Weymouth last week, and the experienced Emma Davies, recent signings Becky Early and Freya Crawford were given their chance, and both showed that they will be an asset to the club.

Beaminster played with a relaxed confidence, and spent most of the first half in their opponents half.

Despite some exquisite interplay between Megan Tuck, Jackie Gape and Early, Beaminster squandered a number of good opportunities. Finally on the half hour Tuck broke the deadlock swooping on a loose ball to drive home a reverse stick shot that found the corner of the goal.

Three minutes later they breached the Wayfarers defence again. Rachel Trump making a rare appearance got to the bye line before driving in a cross which was despatched with equal aplomb by Crawford to give Beaminster a two goal lead at the interval.

Straight from the restart a mazy run from Gape ended with a cross which found Tuck, but her reverse stick shot was brilliantly blocked by the Wimborne keeper.

Two minutes later however Tuck returned the compliment after beating two players with a powerful run down the right before cutting the ball back from the bye line for Gape to fire home from the top of the D.

The game was effectively over on 44 minutes when Gape scored again, this time following a short corner routine with Tuck.

With the points in the bag and the weather deteriorating, Beaminster began to go through the motions and Wimborne grabbed a consolation goal, only their seventh of the season which saw great jubilation from a team who despite having only managed one draw in 18 matches so far this campaign, showed plenty of endeavour and spirit.

West Dorset Hockey Club: May stands down

JULIAN MAY stood down as captain of West Dorset Hockey Club following their 1-1 draw with Sidmouth A in the final game of the season on Saturday.

May has led the team for six years in which the side formerly known as Bridport Hawks has produced some exciting hockey.

The club were on target for promotion from South East Division One at Christmas but have stuttered since the New Year, much like the ladies team, but finished a very creditable fourth.

Against Sidmouth, WD dominated the game but only managed to convert one of the many chances they created, whilst in contrast Sidmouth only had three opportunities but scored with one.

Revved up and ready to go!

LOCAL rallying team Rex Ireland and Adrian Scadding are getting ready for a full season of racing ahead of them when they take part in the Bulldog Historic Rally this Saturday.

Rex, owner of Newlands Holiday Park at Charnmouth and Adrian who owns Motocare in Bridport and is also chairman of Bridport Football Club have been rallying since 1982 and include three Monte Carlo Rally's among their achievements.

The Bulldog, which is held around 50 miles of the mid-Wales forests, is the first of eight rounds in the British Rally Championship calendar which take in different areas of the UK and include a tour of Flanders in Belgium in September.

Rex and Adrian will be competing in their Mk1 Ford Escort which has been fitted with a brand new Ford Crossflow 1600cc engine which they hope will make them more competitive this year.

They are competing in the Historic Rally category that also includes four other sections all competing together over the same course. The International category includes Gwynndaf Evans who won the British Rally Championship in 1996 and was runner-up three more times in the late 90's.

Adrian told *View Sport*: "This is the first time we have competed in all the stages. Last year we could only do the Bulldog because of our work commitments, and we were handicapped because the Lotus twin-cam engine we had put us in a higher class which made us uncompetitive. Hopefully we will do much better this year as we are in Class 3."

The event will be televised this year on Motors TV and the *View Sport* will be reporting on each round with a report of the race and blogs from Rex and Adrian.



◆ **Rex Ireland and Adrian Scadding** in their MK1 Ford Escort.

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SHORT-MAT BOWLS:

East Devon League (afternoon League Division Two)

Table	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
Woodbury.....	12	7	1	4	2	15
Colyton.....	11	6	1	4	233	13
Awliscombe B.....	10	5	3	2	214	13
LYME REGIS.....	12	6	1	5	58	13
Combe St Nicholas.....	12	5	2	5	-86	12
Musbury.....	11	3	5	3	-40	11
Sidford.....	12	3	3	6	-183	9
Seaton Cliff C.....	12	2	2	8	-198	6

RUGBY: WEYMOUTH RFC 2nd XV are looking forward to a big day on Saturday (27th) when they take on Sherborne 2nd XV in the final of the Dorset & Wilts 2nd XV Shield at Puddletown ko 2.15pm.

FRY KEEPS BEES' CUP DREAM ALIVE

Extension to Magpies' unbeaten run ends fears of drop

BRIDPORT 0 LARKHALL ATHLETIC 0 (Bridport win 5-4 on pens after extra time)

Les Phillips Cup semi-final - Attendance: 80
JAMIE FRY kept his nerve and Trevor Senior's dreams alive when he confidently smashed home the penalty that saw Bridport through to the semi-final of the Les Phillips Cup.

With the game goalless after extra-time, the first four players from each side had each slotted home their tie-break spot kicks with aplomb before Larkhall's Rhodri Smith slightly miscued his effort and hit the outside of the upright.

Fry who had kept the Bees in the game with two splendid saves within a minute in the first-half, stepped forward to blast his shot high into the net beyond his opposite gloveman Owen Dunn's right hand.

The win sees outsiders Bridport, the only Toolstation First Division side left in the competition, with another home game against Bishop's Sutton for a place in the final to be held at Bristol Manor Farm on May 1st.

In a game bereft of chances in normal time, Bridport showed enough in extra-time to have won the tie, with Roger Cummings' introduction giving the Bridport attack added bite.

Bridport had the first chance on nine minutes when Chris Clarke might have done better than head Dan Wise's free-kick beyond the right hand upright, before Kieran Baggs' flicked header from Andy Gilbert's cross passed harmlessly across Fry's goal.

It appeared as if the visitors were going to take command of the game as eventually they began to pressurise the Bees defence and when on 28 minutes Jamie Symes miscued an attempted clearance 10-yards from goal, Baggs pounced. However his snap shot was brilliantly blocked by Fry.

A minute later Larks Jamie Lyons fired in a low skimming drive from 25-yards that Fry scooped away, but with the keeper on the ground Lee Bowen smashed the ball on to the crossbar and over from close range.

Bridport weathered the storm and came back three minutes later with Jamie Symes striking the post with a shot that seemed to deceive Dunn by bouncing over his outstretched arm.

Now it was the Bees turn to apply pressure with Adam Symes not being quite able to stretch to Wise's teasing cross, before San Charles mishit the midfielder's free-kick when it dropped to him in the box.

The pattern of play continued after the break with both sides playing some neat football but cancelled out by both defences in top form, restricting the opposing forwards to few glimpses on goal.

Darren Watts, always looking for a chance to strike on goal, fired one wide of the post from long range, whilst Baggs' 30-yard pile driver might have found the target had Matt Condliffe not blocked the effort.

Condliffe was injured just seconds before the end of added time with a reoccurrence of his ankle injury that almost kept him out of the tie, and was replaced by Cummings with Clarke dropping back to fill the left-back berth.

The move inspired the Bees front line in extra time and he almost scored four minutes in when he latched onto Fry's long kick out to volley the ball just over the crossbar from 35-yards.

Bridport had their tails up and soon after Watts feinted to go outside before hitting a 25-yard drive that thumped the crossbar before going over.

They were even more unlucky on 105 minutes when Cummings beat Dunn to Adam Symes's near post cross

but the ball was hacked off the line before Clarke stung Dunn's hands with a long range shot.

Four minutes in to the second periods of extra-time Cummings diving full length, was unlucky to not connect with Watt's cross and then Charles just could not reach Clarke's driven cross.

The penalty shoot out saw Jamie Symes, Charles, Wise and Watts all cancel out excellent Larkhall spot-kicks with equally splendid efforts, before Fry was swamped by his team mates after he delivered the deciding kick.

OFFSIDE 'GOAL' ROCKS TERRAS

CHELMSFORD CITY 2 WEYMOUTH 1 Blue Square South - Attendance: 877

A CONTROVERSIAL opening goal two minutes after the interval gave Chelmsford City the break they needed to beat a stubborn Weymouth side who had done a good job in restricting the promotion hopefuls to just a couple of chances in the first half.

When skipper Dave Rainford's headed clearance from the halfway line bisected the Terras defence, striker Rob Edmans standing yards offside appeared to move towards the ball before realising the situation and stopped dead. The Weymouth defenders seeing the assistants flag raised also stopped. However when the referee didn't blow his whistle, Ricky Holmes picked the ball up 35-yards from goal before running on and beating Tim Sandercombe.

Things got worse three minutes later when Weymouth failed to clear the ball from Holmes corner kick and after some scrappy play on the left, Anthony Cook drove the ball beyond Sandercombe from an acute angle.

This seemed to knock all the stuffing out of the Terras and the Claret's with the advantage of the wind and rain created a host of chances that saw Sandercombe once again keep them in the game.

But they pegged a goal back on 69 minutes when Stephen Reed, back in the side with Cameron Mawer and Pierre Joseph-Dubois, dispossessed Cook 35-yards from goal before beating a defender and slotting a low shot beyond Claret's gloveman Ashley Harrison from 20 - yards.

Chelmsford continued to dictate and Weymouth were lucky to avoid conceding what looked a nailed on penalty when Cameron Mawer pulled down Edmans ten yards from goal.

Jamie Frampton had a looping header drop over the crossbar but Chelmsford just played out time for a win that keeps them in second place and Weymouth looking up at them from bottom spot.

The result will have done nothing to help them but the Terras showed a lot of endeavour to restrict their hosts as they did.

Magpies stretch their run

DORCHESTER TOWN 4 WESTON-SUPER-MARE 2 Blue Square South - Attendance: 425

DORCHESTER reached league safety with the expected win over relegation favourites Weston-super-Mare but will be disappointed they conceded two goals in the process.

Whilst mathematically they can still be caught by third bottom Lewes, both their opponents and Weymouth cannot overhaul the Magpies.

The win also stretches Dorchester's unbeaten home



◆ TOP CORNER: Adam Symes smashes home the first of Bridport's spot-kicks in Tuesday night's penalty shoot-out with Larkhall Athletic.
Photo STUART BROOM

before Groves added Dorchester's second. He pounced on a poor headed clearance from Richard Evan's to drive beyond Sawyer.

Weston pulled a goal back on the break when Klein-Davies finally beat Coward after being put through on goal by Darrey Mullins.

Buoyed by the success they attacked Dorchester right from the start of the second half, but with the rain making it difficult to control the ball, Josh Ford miscued when trying to clear Ryan Hill's cross and sliced the ball past Sawyer.

However Weston showed they are still fighting to stay up by pulling a goal back on 63 minutes when Clayton Fortune rose to head home Evans' corner.

The conditions were making life difficult for both sides and Weston looked to get something from the game as Evans forced Coward into a good save, but Devlin finally got the goal that mattered when he started and finished Dorchester's fourth. He fed Moss and when Sawyer could only parry the striker's shot, Devlin nipped in to score.

The Magpies might have had another late on but Mullins cleared Devlin's in-swinging corner off the line.

Bees hammer Mallett

SHEPTON MALLETT 0 BRIDPORT 5 Toolstation Division One - Attendance: 46

BRIDPORT thumped Shepton Mallett 5-0 last Thursday to make it three wins in six days for Trevor Senior's charges.

despite missing several of the side that beat Larkhall Athletic on Tuesday night to win a place in the semi-final of the Les Phillips Cup they easily beat their lowly in their Toolstation First Division rivals to maintain their bid for a mid-table spot.

Roger Cummings opened the scoring inside just 15 seconds. Dan Wise's flighted chip into the left channel found Chris Senior, once again filling the striker roll in the absence of the unavailable Sam Charles.

The backspin on th ball held it up enough for Senior to nod past his marker before squaring to Cummings who just had to slot the ball home. Darren Watts added a second on seven minutes with a strike from the edge of the box to put the Bees well in command before Ashley Clarke saw his header from a corner well saved by the home keeper diving low by the upright.

Jamie Fry was called upon to make one save during the first half which Brisport dictated.

Senior made the points secure five minutes after the break when he volleyed home Ashley Clarke's cross.

Wise set up substitute Martin Bulman for the fourth with a glorious 40-yard pass over the central defenders head, and Bulman showed a lot of composure by lobbing the keeper as he came to meet him.

Wise completed the scoring five minutes from time with a trademark goal; passing the ball into the net around the wall from a free-kick 20-yards from goal.

OLDLAND ABBOTONIANS 2 BRIDPORT 0 Toolstation Division One - Attendance: 25

THIS game appeared to be heading for a draw with just 12 minutes left, but a controversial refereeing decision saw Matt Huxley score his 28th goal of the season and spoil Bridport's week.

Having had the best of the first half when they might have scored three goals, Bridport came under pressure in the second-half but looked to be adding another clean sheet to the three matches in the previous week when the referee failed to give a foul on Jamie Fry. When the ball ran loose it was returned into the goal where Huxley headed an easy goal with Fry stranded.

With Bridport pushing forward looking for an equaliser, the Bristol side wrapped the game up four minutes from time when Simon Dew cleverly lobbed Fry as he came rac-



BEARING DOWN: Charmouth Reserves' midfielder Gerry Bearpark challenges a Chard United Reserves opponent in Saturday's match at Barrs Lane. The West Dorset side went down 4-1 and will hope for better when they entertain Winsham Reserves at the weekend.

Photo by JON MATTHEWS

Scadding with a brilliant close range double save to prevent them going behind.

Bridport pressed hard and defended well forcing Portland into mainly long range shots. They finally broke the deadlock in the second-half when Tommy Craven turned on the edge of the box and brilliantly lobbed the home keeper, and then were unlucky when Riley Weedon saw his fine free-kick rebound back off the post and cleared to safety. Bridport now push on looking for the title and look forward to meeting Portland next season to resume more good battling encounters.

Dismal Glovers pay the price

YEOVIL TOWN 0 BRISTOL ROVERS 3 League One - Attendance: 5,968

AFTER a sparkling performance last Saturday, albeit against a very poor Hartlepool United, Glover's supporters might have been expecting a similar display despite the loss of playmaker Gavin Williams who was serving the second of his three match suspension for being sent off in the game.

However a woeful display in midweek at Carlisle was followed by an even more puzzling reversal against local rivals Bristol Rovers.

Despite falling behind to a bizarre fourth minute goal, Yeovil dominated the first 30 minutes and might have scored three goals themselves had they had someone to apply the finishing touch.

Instead they conceded another two clinical strikes from strikers Paul Heffernan and Joe Kuffour who showed their opponents how to take chances, and the game was over by halftime.

Keeper Alex McCarthy who has hardly put a foot wrong for Yeovil this season, took too much time over an early clearance and when Jo Kuffour charged it down, he watched the ball roll agonisingly inside the post to give the Pirates an unexpected lead.

It didn't look as if it would be too long before The Glovers got back on terms as they besieged the visitors goal. Sam Williams as always ran his heart out leading the line, but when he was injured and consequently substituted following a brilliant tackle from Chris Lines to stop his mazy run, Yeovil's lost their momentum.

Heffernan did what he does best on 36 minutes, pouncing on Jeff Hughes' low ball across the Glovers six yard box to turn and fire past McCarthy, before Kuffour showed similar predatory instincts five minutes later reacting first to a loose ball in the box.

Yeovil's play became ragged and more ineffective as the game wore on and fans started leaving 15 minutes before the end tired of manager Terry Skiverton's inability to motivate his troops.

With games running out, they are in serious danger of being involved in a relegation battle. Three of their four remaining home games are against tough opposition in promotion hopefuls Leeds United and Millwall together with Southampton, whilst their away matches are mainly against others also fighting to avoid the drop.

Hold on to your hats Glovers fans, it could be a bumpy ride!

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SPARTAN TENNIS CLUB NEWS

Ben starts season on a high

RISING talent, 10-year-old, Ben Smith started his first tournament of the year on a high, conquering the 13U Autumn Cup. The event, held in early February at Plottingham Playing Fields in Bridport, was organised by LTA coach Kalok Ho of Spartan Tennis Club and supported by assistants Andrew Bachelor and Gemma Smith.

The event involved two round robin groups of three playing three set matches with the top two progressing to the semi-finals.

Smith beat 13-year-old Clara Fung before overcoming Matthew Edwards both in straight sets to book his place in the semi-final, but Smith was pushed all the way by Huxley which was decided on a tiebreak in the third, with Smith's decisive drive passing finally overcoming Huxley's relentless net play.

The final turned out to be a match of endurance. Both Smith and Harper showed a peak first set performance in the three set final that lasted an hour and fifteen minutes.

Harper attacked the baseline early on, seeing himself poaching winning volleys in the wide areas of the court to capture the first set in a close 7-4 tie-break. Both players struggled to maintain their consistency as the match wore on and looked physically and psychologically exhausted and it became a matter of willpower at the end.

As both struggled to hold their service game, it was Smith who managed to hold his composure to the end; and recovered to take the next two 6-2, 6-3 to take the title. An ecstatic Smith commented that it was a very tough and exhausting final and that he almost lost his drive to win the tournament, especially when after losing the opening set, but thought to have been very lucky to see himself holding his concentration longer than Harper.

If you are interested in junior tennis coaching for 2010 and would like to have more information please log onto www.spartantennisbridport.co.uk or contact coach Kalok Ho on 01308 421988

Group stage Results: D. Huxley bt S. Weston 7-5, 6-4, B. Smith bt C. Fung 6-2, 6-4, P. Harper bt S. Weston 6-2, 6-3, C. Fung bt M. Edward 6-2, 6-4, P. Harper bt D. Huxley 6-3, 7-5, B. Smith bt M. Edward 6-2, 6-2.

Consolation Semi-Final: C. Fung bt S. Weston 6-3, M. Edward bt Bye.

Consolation Final: C. Fung bt M. Edward 6-2.

Semi-Final: P. Harper bt C. Fung 6-2, 6-2, B. Smith bt D. Huxley 6-3, 3-6, 7-4 tiebreak.

Final: B. Smith bt P. Harper 6-7, 4-7 tiebreak, 6-2, 6-3.



◆ CONGRATULATIONS: Back row, left to right: Andrew Bachelor, Consolation Winner Clara Fung, coach Kalok Ho (front) Finalist Patrick Harper (left) and Champion Ben Smith.

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CRICKET

Tucker tops as local disabled cricketers help England to victory

FIVE local cricketers helped England's disabled cricket team's beat their Wales counterparts in a Twenty/20 international match at Lords last week.

Dorchester's Callum Tucker starred in his debut for England's 'Zenith' team which involves more able players together with Bridport's Steven Wiltshire.

Tucker took 2-14 off his four overs and then scored 21 not out as England won by 5 wickets.

The Thomas Hardy teenager found himself on a hat-trick in only his second over after Wales had put on 48 in their first five overs. He had the Wales opening bat caught behind and then produced a brilliant caught and bowled to remove the Welsh captain with his next ball. However his hat-trick ball whilst juggling back narrowly missed leg stump.

Wales struggled from there on and were finally dismissed for 98 all out in 18.5 overs.

Wiltshire opened the England innings but unfortunately top-edged a rising ball to the wicketkeeper for two.

This brought Tucker to the wicket and he helped carry England to a five wicket victory with ten balls to spare.

The two have also been selected to play for England at Old Trafford at the end of April and at Newport in an outdoor 50 over match against Wales in July.

England veteran Mark Pickersgill from Dorchester together with Simon Penny (Yeovil) and Graham Whistler (Bournemouth) helped the less able England 'Zodiac' team beat Wales by seven wickets.

Pickersgill took an excellent reflex catch at short mid off to help restrict Wales to 102-6 off their allotted 20 overs.

England required one run from the last ball to tie the match but in an attempt to run a quick single batsman Phil Ramsbothon was run out from a direct throw. However, as some of the Wales team celebrated, the umpire signalled a wide which brought the scores level, and new batsman Simon Thomas guided the ball through the close fielders to gain the important one run and a seven wicket victory.

Dorset Disabled Cricket Association are looking for new members who enjoy cricket and would like to play the game.

Lead coach Pete Tucker said: It would be brilliant to perhaps give a few more people with a disability the opportunity to play cricket and enjoy the experience that many take for granted.

"If anyone who has any type of disability, registered or not and would firstly like to play cricket and then perhaps progress to playing for Dorset and ultimately Eng-

land, they should call either Gordon Pickersgill on 01305 269437 or Pete on 01305 268172. A full fixture list runs from early May to August. Matches are 40 overs per side and played on Sunday afternoons, most of the home games being played at the Dorchester Rec.

"Why not take the chance, give us a ring and come and enjoy the beautiful game?"

We are also trying to highlight disabled cricket and if you could add a paragraph, it would be brilliant and perhaps give a few more people the opportunity to play cricket with a disability and enjoy the experience that many take for granted.

Please could you add a sentence that "if anyone who has any type of disability, registered or not and would firstly like to play cricket and perhaps for Dorset and then go onto emulate the players above will they please call either Gordon Pickersgill on 01305 269437 or Peter Tucker (Lead Coach) on 01305 268172. A full fixture list runs from early May to August. Matches are 40 overs per side and played on Sunday afternoons, most of the home games are played at the Dorchester Rec". Why not take the chance, give us a ring and come and enjoy the beautiful game?"



◆ THE HALLOWED TURF: (from left) Mark Pickersgill, Callum Tucker, Graham Whistler, Simon Penny and Steven Wiltshire pictured in front of the famous Lord's Media Centre

RUGBY ROUND-UP

with KEITH JENKIN

BRIDPORT CROWNED AS CHAMPIONS

BRIDPORT 37pts, FROME 2nd Nil

CONGRATULATIONS to Bridport! They accomplished what has been on the cards for several weeks now, winning the Dorset & Wilts League Division One (South) with quite a bit to spare, and moreover, playing well in doing so. They took the lead over their mid-table opponents after just three minutes' play, winning the ball at a set scrum and, after going through the phases, putting out half Gaylor in at the corner for an unconverted try.

This lead was increased at around the end of the first quarter when centre Dave Cutting ran in. Full back Lewis converted this one to give his side a deserved 12-0 lead.

It was Cutting again as the half drew to a close. His side had driven a lineup out to the visitors' line before releasing, and he found space down the blind side and touched down in the corner. This completed the first half action and left Bridport sitting pretty with a 17-0 lead.

They got the score that ensured the title before the second half was ten minutes old when, having taken a tapped penalty quickly, Bullock made good ground to the twenty two before off loading to Gaylor who got over by the posts. Full back Lewis converted this try as Bridport moved more than three scores clear at 24-0 ahead.

More was to come. Idris Croft got over on the hour after a good run by his winger Pibworth. Lewis added a penalty goal with some ten minutes left for play, and Jack Edwards, who had made a nuisance of himself all game, as far as Frome were concerned, charged down an attempted clearance kick out of the Frome defence. The ball broke kindly for him and he completed the job by touching down.

I have been a little 'picky' as regards Bridport's performances over the months but I cannot deny that they are the best side in the division and

worthy champions. They should now spare a thought to the future and consider just how best they can cope with life in the Southern Counties (South) Division in September.

ELLINGHAM & RINGWOOD 42pts, BRIDPORT 2nd 15pts

AFTER a very competitive first hour, the well drilled and effective home side stretched away during the final quarter to win with some ease in the end. The first half was an even affair, with Bridport actually in the lead by a Donald Farmer try to a penalty goal at the end of the first quarter.

Two home tries, one of which was converted, took the home side to a 15-5 interval lead but, nevertheless the issue was far from settled. The well drilled home pack were most effective close to the breakdown and they stretched away with a converted try early in the second period, only for Bridport to respond in kind with a John Swadrig try that he converted himself.

He then kicked a penalty goal with half an hour left to get his side back into the mix at 22-15, but there the good news ended. Ellingham & Ringwood had obviously made good use of their training sessions and had both a game plan and a structure. Having kicked a penalty on the hour, they went on to score three tries in the final quarter, one of which they converted to take themselves well clear.

DORCHESTER 18pts, WIMBORNE 26pts

LATE withdrawals meant that the home side took the field against the league leaders with several of their backs missing, and Wimborne, who had elected to play with the wind in the first-half, soon took the lead with a penalty goal. The Dorchester pack were going well in the set piece however, and they levelled a few minutes later

via the boot of Rossiter.

They were conceding too many penalties for their own peace of mind though, and were spending too much time in their own territory as a consequence. They conceded points too, as Wimborne goaled one of the awards to take a 6-3 lead.

Dorchester continued to win useable possession however and imposed some pressure of their own that led to a try by lock forward King, who got over out wide, having been put clear by Biddle. Although now in the lead, the home side continued to infringe and two more Wimborne penalties took them into a 12-6 lead with half time approaching.

A moment of indiscretion just before the break by their opponents served Dorchester well. Wimborne inopportunely tried to run the ball out of their defence and were caught in possession. The ball ran loose and hooker Chalker was up to touch down. Rossiter added the extras and the home side changed round at 15-12 ahead.

Wimborne certainly upped their effort in the second half, although now playing with the wind in their faces and regained the lead on the hour when their left winger touched down in the corner after a bout of pressure by their eight.

Dorchester were not done however and a Rossiter penalty certainly kept them in touch. The visitors now were in the ascendancy though, and another converted try took them a score clear. Dorchester did try to rally, but they could not score again and Wimborne held on for a win.

While being disappointed at the loss, Dorchester will most certainly be satisfied at the way that their squad demonstrated its strength in depth.

PUDDLETOWN Nil, WEYMOUTH 9pts

THIS was a shadow of the Weymouth side that

had won so convincingly the previous week. Of course conditions were not of the best, although they were the same for both sides. Weymouth played with the wind initially and although they would have been disappointed in the extreme with the 0-0 scoreline at the halfway stage, when they did not play well against a home side who came out to "have a good go".

They did score a penalty via the boot of Peplow early in the second half, but could not move the scoreboard further and it was the home side which came closest to crossing the whitewash.

Puddletown could not take the opportunity however and the score remained at 3-0 in Weymouth's favour well into the final quarter. At this juncture Peplow added another penalty goal to give his side some breathing space, and he kicked a third at the last to give his side a win that they will not recall with overmuch affection in the days to come.

PREVIEW
CALLING ALL SQUADDIES, MATELOTS, AND ERKS! On Easter Sunday, April 4th, commencing at 2pm, a charity rugby game will take place, hosted by the Honiton RFC at Allhallows when Armed Forces Past and Present will oppose a Honiton Select XV, with all proceeds going to the HELP FOR HEROES fund.

Any serving or past member of the military is invited to turn up and participate. All that is required of you is that you bring a pair of boots, socks and shorts.

As an added inducement, a beer festival will run alongside the game, with 15 different beers and five types of cider available. As a former conscript myself I will remember that most of my colleagues would have strolled over hot coals for a pint of beer and I am sure therefore, that those involved since will rally to the call and count any

bruises as received in the best of good causes. As regards Saturday next, there is a paucity of rugby taking place locally. BRIDPORT are without a fixture at first team level, while WEYMOUTH travel to take on WIMBORNE in the county cup competition.

This game represents a very considerable "ask" for Weymouth for their opponents are at the top of the Southern Counties League (South). If Weymouth are at their best they can compete. If they play as they did on Saturday ...

DORCHESTER for their part, take on MELKSHAM at home in the Dorset & Wilts Vase Competition. Their opponents currently lie in second place in the Northern section of the Dorset & Wilts league Division One (North), and one would consider therefore that Dorchester should proceed to the next round with a bit to spare.

They will certainly know better than to count any chickens however.

Both the Dorchester and Weymouth second side have blank dates, but Bridport seconds travel to Honiton seconds for a friendly encounter.

Although Honiton seconds are no mugs, the Bridport side do have an advantage owing to the fact that they play league rugby, week in, week out. There won't be too much in this one at the end of the day however.

FIXTURES 27th March - Bridport 2nd v Honiton 2nd (away); Chard v Bristol Harlequins; Chard 2nd v Ivel Barbarians 2nd (away); Chard 3rd v Hornets 3rd (home); Chard Colts v Clevedon Colts; Dorchester v Melksham (away) D & W Vase; Honiton 2nd v Bridport 2nd; Honiton Colts v Barnstaple Colts (away); Sidmouth v Clevedon (away); Sidmouth 2nd v Exeter University; Sidmouth 3rd v Bideford 3rd (away); Sidmouth Colts v Wellington Colts; Weymouth v Wimborne (away) Cup;

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REFEREE RUINS TREVOR'S WEEK

BRIDPORT manager Trevor Senior is rarely too critical of referees, and whilst former Liverpool legend Bill Shankley would disagree following his famous quip that football is more serious than life or death, Senior would have seen enough of them in his career not to get too upset.

However following a brilliant week in which his side had won two league matches, scoring nine whilst keeping a clean sheet and also ousted Premier side Larkhall Athletic from the Les Phillips Cup in a dramatic shoot-out, Senior was not too amused at referee Mr Hadfield on Saturday.

It looked like the Bees had won another well earned point at Oldland Abbotonians, themselves on a good run, when with 12 minutes remaining Hadfield failed to award Bridport a free kick for a blatant foul on keeper Jamie Fry.

"Jamie made a save and had both hands on the ball when he was fouled and dropped it. The ball was fed wide and the cross headed

BY STUART BROOM

home with Jamie still trying to recover his ground following the foul.

"Even their dug-out couldn't believe it, and their manager said he didn't know how he didn't blow up.

"He was one of those refs who wouldn't, no couldn't, back down if he had made a mistake. There were situations where the ball had clearly gone out for a throw-in and the assistant had flagged so, and he gave a corner and wouldn't change his mind.

"The decision changed the game and we conceded another chasing an equaliser. Unfortunately he cost us a point that we thoroughly deserved.

"The game could have ended 6-6! We had much the better of the first half and created three excellent chances, whilst they became stronger and Jamie had to make a couple of good saves. I think a draw would have been a fair result."

Despite being their fourth game in eight days, Senior was pleased with his side endeavour.

"I cannot fault their fitness and motivation despite having had three hard games already that week, and so it was disappointing to not get something from the match."

Bridport were back on the road last night with a trip to Cadbury Heath who had a surprise 4-2 win at Gillingham on Saturday.

Once again Senior will be forced into changes with Adam Symes and Sam Charles both unavailable due to work, and Matt Condliffe needing rest to recover from turning his ankle in consecutive matches against Devizes and Larkhall Athletic.

However skipper Darren Lock came through 90 minutes at Bristol and without any worries.

There is no respite as Bridport try to clear some of the backlog of games caused by the poor winter weather. They are home to Westbury United on Thursday and then host Portishead Town on Saturday.



COME ON ENGLAND(BRIDPORT)!

■ **INTERNATIONAL CLASH:** Bridport Under 12s pictured with manager James Sayers are due to face American opposition when they take on the North Kitsap Comets from Washington state. The Comets, coached by ex Thomas Harye school pupil Pip Thompson, will meet the young Bees on the main Bridport Town pitch on Tuesday, March 30th, kick-off is 4.30pm.

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